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This memorandum has been prepared for the purpose of acquainting you with the investigation to date and the investigative possibilities for the future as reflected thereby.

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Elizabeth Terrill Bentley, the informant in this matter, has named numerous individuals including a large number of persons presently employed by the United States Government, in Washington, D. C., and in New York City, as engaged in espionage for the Soviet Government. These persons, according to Miss Bentley, are acting under the direction of the Soviet NKVD.

It has been established through a physical surveillance that Bentley met Anatole Gromov, First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy, on the evening of November 21, 1945. Gromov has been identified by Bentley as "Al" her Soviet contact. You will recall that Gromov was suspected by this Bureau of being the successor to Vassili Zubilin, reported head of the NKVD in North America, who returned to Moscow in the late summer of 1944 after the inspection of espionage facilities of North America conducted by representatives of the NKVD and Red Army Intelligence.

The physical surveillances of other subjects in this case, particularly Joseph Gregg of the Office of Inter-American Affairs and Peter Rhodes of the Office of War Information, have revealed contacts with one Schluter believed to be identical with Bentley's previous contact "Jack" an NKVD agent, and with an individual who has been tentatively identified as Fedor A. Garanin, Second Secretary of the Soviet Embassy, Washington, D. C., and a known close associate of Anatole Gromov.

Garanin's place in this investigation has been emphasized by the return to Moscow of Gromov on December 7, 1945.

The two individuals, Schluter and Garanin, are the only persons to date with whom contacts have been made by subjects in this case in Washington, D. C., who could possibly be said to be actual NKVD agents.

Elimination of Minor Figures

During the course of this investigation, which commenced November 3, 1945, many of the persons named by Bentley have been determined to be minor figures in whatever organized espionage activity may still exist today of the

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groups with which Bentley worked in 1944. U

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Generally speaking, Bentley's allegations regarding Communist Party sympathies, personal acquaintances and contacts between the individuals named and their access to certain types of Government information, has been born out by data already in the Bureau's files as well as by physical and technical surveillances. (S) (U) 4 (u)

From time to time individuals under physical surveillance have been brought to your attention on the basis of their established contacts or on the basis of present inactivity, and authorizations have been requested of you and granted by you for discontinuance of full time physical surveillances on such persons. (S) (u) 4

In all instances, however, except in a very few where technically impossible, technical surveillances have been installed and remain in effect on such subjects. (S) (U) 4 (u)

Key Figures in the Investigation in the New York Area

During the course of this investigation since November 8, 1945, the key individuals in the New York Area have been determined to be Ray Elson, Abraham Brothman, Alexander Koral, Lauchlin Currie, Dr. Abraham Weinstein and of course the informant Bentley. U

Ray Elson is a former employee of the United States Services and Shipping Corporation in New York City, who although she has never furnished information to Bentley for transmittal to the Soviets, has a definite Soviet contact. Actually Bentley has made arrangements to contact Gromov through Elson. U

Abraham Brothman is an engineer in New York City who operates a laboratory on Long Island. He has furnished technical information to the Soviets in the past, according to Bentley, and appears to be extremely active in engineering work at the present time. Because of the Soviets active interest in technical developments, and particularly those relating to United States military matters, Brothman is being carefully investigated for the purpose of determining the exact type of information which he can make available to the Soviets. U

Alexander Koral is a known contact of Gregory Silvermaster in Washington, D. C. Koral first came to the Bureau's attention in connection with the investigation of Gail Ovakinian, former NKVD representative in New York City. (u) 4 (S)

Lauchlin Currie, former Administrative Assistant to President Roosevelt and a reported member of the Silvermaster group, is now no longer in the United States Government, but because of his prominence and his known associations with numerous individuals presently under investigation, he is being considered a key individual. U

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Dr. Abraham Weinstein is a known contact of both Peter Rhodes and Joseph Gregg, subjects of this case. He is also known to be a contact of Ralph Bowman, Carl Winter and Andrew Onda in connection with the Comintern Apparatus investigation. His wife is a contact of Victoria Stone, the girl friend of Arthur Adams, Soviet espionage agent in New York City. Weinstein is a dentist and it is possible that he is the "Charlie the dentist" who was a direct contact with the Soviets, according to Bentley. (S) (U)

Key Figures in the Investigation in the Washington, D. C. Area.

In the Silvermaster group the following persons are considered key figures in the Washington Area: Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, William Ludwig Ullman, A. George Silverman, Harry Dexter White. (S) (U)

The only key figure in the Perlo group is Victor Perlo himself. In the miscellaneous group the key figures are Alger Hiss, Joseph Gregg, Peter Rhodes and Lieutenant Colonel Duncan Lee. (S) (U)

As already mentioned, Schluter and Fedor Garanin are the suspected Soviet contacts in the absence of Gromov. (S) (U)

Nathan Gregory Silvermaster is now employed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. William Ludwig Ullman is no longer with the Army Air Forces, but is employed by the Treasury Department. These two subjects live together. An investigation has determined that there is a photographic laboratory in the basement of their residence, as alleged by the informant. (S) (U)

A. George Silverman is now employed by the French Supply Council and although he is no longer employed by the United States Government he has contacts with individuals who are so employed. (S) (U)

Harry Dexter White, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury in charge of monetary research, not only has access to much vital financial information, but actually makes international financial policy. (S) (U)

All of the above named persons in the Silvermaster group have numerous contacts with others under investigation. (S) (U)

In the Perlo group, Victor Perlo is by far the most active and the allegations of Bentley that he is the leader of this organization appear to be substantiated. (S) (U)

In the miscellaneous group Alger Hiss, originally in the Perlo group who is now active in the United Nations organization, is of primary interest to this Bureau because of his present connection with the entire atomic bomb situation as it affects the United Nations organization. (S) (U)

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Joseph Gregg of the Office of Inter-American Affairs, and Peter Rhodes of the Office of War Information are the most active of the individuals residing in Washington, D. C., and have both made contacts with individuals believed to be actual NKVD agents. (S) (U) U

Lieutenant Colonel Duncan Lee of the Office of Strategic Services has many contacts and is extremely active. He, as you will remember, is a member of William Donovan's law firm. U

The Bureau has technical surveillances on all of the aforementioned individuals with the exception of Rhodes, who has no permanent residence in Washington, D. C. (S) (U) U

Schluter and Garanin are not covered by technical surveillances on their residences. At the present time, however, Garanin is covered at the Soviet Embassy. (S) (U)

Proposed Investigative Procedure

The investigation to date has generally substantiated the informant's story as to the situation known by her to exist in 1944 as far as it can be substantiated by personal contacts and activities of the subjects a year later. Since investigation subsequent to November 8, 1945 has largely been able to separate the lesser figures from those who are more important, the following suggestion is being made as to further investigation in this matter. You will bear in mind, of course, that technical surveillances, mail covers and physical surveillances have been in effect on those Government employees named by Bentley who are not out of the country on foreign assignment. At the present time all investigative techniques mentioned which have been put into effect are still in effect with the exception of certain physical surveillances, the discontinuance of which you have authorized. U (S) (U)

Now that the key individuals of those named by Bentley have been identified by the investigation and the pattern of their activities has been determined, it is suggested that physical surveillances on all of the other persons under investigation be discontinued, and as an investigative technique physical spot checks and physical cover of important meetings correlated with data from technical surveillances and other sources of information be made of only the key figures named. It will be expected that new identities will come to light during the course of the coverage of these key individuals. Such persons will be given prompt and thorough investigative attention to determine their significance to this case. U (S) (U)

It will be remembered that the technical surveillances which are in effect on the lesser individuals named by Bentley, will be carefully correlated with all other phases of the investigation, and each significant item appropriately handled. U (S) U

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With reference to the curtailment of physical surveillances and the use of selective surveillances, the undesirability of discontinuing physical surveillances has been emphasized by the extreme surveillance consciousness of subjects in this case since the inception of the investigation, which has been further augmented by the recent publicity regarding FBI investigation of Soviet espionage, which appeared in the New York Journal-American and which was reprinted in Washington newspapers. U

Administrative Advantages

The cessation of continuous physical surveillances on the subjects in this case will relieve 160 special agents from this special assignment. At the present time there are 156 special agents on special assignments in the New York and Washington Field Offices away from their headquarters. It is the considered judgment of Assistant SAC's T. J. Donegan and C. E. Hennrich that this investigation can be conducted without the continuous physical surveillances, by 25 special agents in the New York Office and 42 special agents in the Washington Field Office as opposed to the number of 227 special agents in those offices presently so engaged. U

This entire matter has been discussed by me with Assistant SAC T. J. Donegan of New York, Assistant SAC C. E. Hennrich of Washington Field and Supervisor Lish Whitson of the Internal Security Section, and these suggestions embodied herein are the results of such conferences. U

ACTION: If the foregoing suggestions meet with your approval, the Washington Field and New York Offices will be instructed on December 14, 1945 to put them into effect and to effect the savings in personnel which will result from this investigative procedure. U

It is also respectfully suggested that since there are no urgent Canadian angles on this case and since the investigation of the Igor Guzenko case in Canada has come to a standstill and a report has been received from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police covering all investigation to date, that further liaison as may be necessary with regard to the Guzenko case and the instant case with the Canadian authorities can effectively be carried on by our regular liaison representative in Ottawa, Mr. Glenn Bethel. Accordingly with your permission, Assistant SAC J. F. Buckley of Buffalo will be instructed to return to his headquarters from Ottawa on December 19, 1945. (S)(U)

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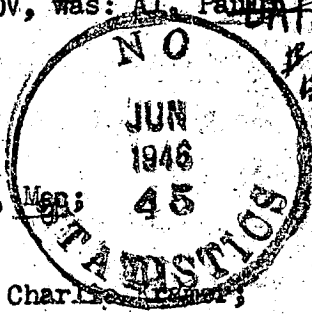
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SYNOPSIS (CONTINUED): Surveillance of ALEXANDER KORAL revealed no significant activity but KORAL maneuvers to locate surveillances. Employment record of KORAL reported. His son, RICHARD KORAL, has been active in AYD, NYC. Meeting of informant GREGORY with ILM HARRIS, COLONEL REYNOLDS and TED BAYER on December 7th reported. GREGORY unavailable for large part of week 12/9-15 due to illness. Surveillance of RAY ELSON reflects she has been working at NECL. Daily activities of ELSON and identity of her contacts, Mrs. JAMES E. HURLEY, JOSEPHINE L. SCHATZ, MURRAY KANE and JOSEPHINE KANE reported. HARRY DEXTER WHITE arrived NYC 12/5. Surveillance reflects WHITE was in contact with DR. ABRAHAM WOLFSON of Newark, N.J. He also met DR. MARTIN WANCH of NYC. WHITE returned to Wash., D.C. from Newark on 12/7. RUTH TERRY WHITE identified as daughter of HARRY. Surveillance of LAUCHLIN CURRIE to date reflects no unusual activities or contacts believed to be of significance to investigation. ALLAN R. ROSENBERG, together with WARREN R. SCHARFMAN, on 12/9 arrived NYC, remaining until 12/11. SCHARFMAN and ROSENBERG spent their time mainly in shopping for office furniture. MARY PRICE is still in Greensboro, North Carolina. Background information on JAMES HERBERT HILBEN, believed identical with individual who attempted to contact MARY PRICE in NYC, reported. Surveillance of MILDRED PRICE reveals no activities of significance. Financial information on ABRAHAM BROTHMAN and A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES from bank accounts reported. FERRUCCIO MARINI is editor of L'UNITA DEL POPOLO, Italian language CP newspaper and has been active in CP activities for years. CP history of MARINI set out. Surveillance of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN reveals no activities of apparent significance to date. Information received from confidential source relative to BROTHMAN's activities reported. Summaries of information on JULIET SUZETTE POYNTEZ-GRASER, Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM HINCHLEY, ILM HARRIS, NATHAN and HELEN SILVERMASTER, LAUCHLIN CURRIE and SOL ADLER furnished by WHITEHEAD CHAMBERS reported.

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MICHAEL GREENBERG, was: Menahen Greenberg, Michael Gibson;
JULIUS JOSEPH JOSEPH, wa: J. Julius Joseph;
GEORGE PERAZICH;
WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON;
WILLIAM H. TAYLOR;
JOSEPH ECKHART, wa: Joe;
MICHAEL ENDELMAN, was: Michael Nicholas Delman, Marcel;
COLONEL JOHN H. REYNOLDS;
HELEN SILVERMASTER, wa: Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster;
RAY ELSON, wa: Mrs. Joseph Elson;
PETER C. RHODES;
PAULINE ROGERS, was: Pauline Rosen, Pauline Rosin, Pauline Richman,
Pauline Richman, Pauline Richman, Pauline Royce, Pauline Weir,
Pauline Usher, Pauline Uscher, Mrs. Edward Royce, Mrs. Oscar Rosin,
Mrs. Usher Rosen, Mrs. Usher Rosin, Mrs. Uscher Rosen, Mrs. Uscher Rosin,
Pauline Raisen, Mrs. Oscar Raisen, Mrs. Usher Raisen, Mrs. Uscher Raisen;
ALBERT EUGENE KAHN, wa: Al Kahn;
FERRUCCIO MARINI, was: Fred Alpi, Frank Alpi, Mario Alpi, Frank Brown,
Fred Brown, Max Favre, Max Favre, Max Favia, Emilio Pizzio, Amalio Pizzi,
Ed Brown Marini, F. Morini, F. Brown;
ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, wa: Abe Brothman;
JOHN;
JOCK;
MARGARET;
CHARLIE;
CATHERINE;
WILL;
CEDRIC HENNING BELFRAGE, wa: Benjamin;
LEON ERLICH

SYNOPSIS OF CASE:

RHODES and GREGG arrived NYC evening of 12/6/45.
They stayed at home of RHODES, 40 Monroe Street, NYC.
Both made contact on 12/7 at 20 East 53rd Street, NYC,
believed to be A. B. WEINSTEIN, GREGG remaining almost
the whole day with WEINSTEIN. WEINSTEIN was a
contact of CARL WINTER and RALPH BOWMAN, as reported
in COMRAP investigation. WEINSTEIN's background set
out. RHODES and GREGG returned to Wash., D.C.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent Harold V. Kennedy, New York,
12/7/45.

DETAILS

The title of this case is being changed to:

Delete the alias HELEN for MARY WOLFE PRICE. With regard to informant's introduction to MARY WOLFE PRICE as HELEN, as reflected in the statement of November 30, 1945, informant GREGORY has advised that MARY PRICE was not known as HELEN but that she, GREGORY, when introduced to MARY PRICE was given the name HELEN by GOLOS.

To add the middle name HENNING which has been established as the correct middle name for CEDRIC BELFRAGE.

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Re: PETER C. RHODES

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent Nicholas M. Kalmes and covers investigation during the period from December 6 through December 10, 1945.

On December 6, 1945, the Washington Field Division advised the New York Field Division that PETER RHODES and JOSEPH GREGG had boarded Pennsylvania Railroad train No. 158 at 6 p.m., and were expected to arrive in New York at 10 p.m. The above men were stated to be enroute under surveillance of Special Agents J. L. Percy, J. A. Hanley, and F. W. Brown.

At 11:05 p.m., Train No. 158 arrived at Pennsylvania Station in New York, and there the surveillance of RHODES and GREGG was taken up by Special Agents D. E. Shannon, J. P. Garvey, J. J. Danahy, and N. M. Kalmes, Agents Garvey and Shannon having boarded the train at Newark, New Jersey.

Immediately after arriving at Pennsylvania Station, GREGG and RHODES proceeded to a milk bar in the station and had a quick meal. At 11:25 p.m., GREGG and RHODES left the milk bar and walked to the Independent Subway station in Pennsylvania Station and there boarded a subway train and proceeded by that train to the East Broadway Station of the line, where they left the train and proceeded on foot to RHODES' residence at 40 Monroe Street in New York City. At 12:45 p.m. on this day the surveillance of GREGG and RHODES was discontinued.

December 7, 1945

On this day the surveillance of RHODES was taken up at a point near 40 Monroe Street by Special Agents D. Swanson, Henry Somers, D. J. McCarthy. At 9:20 a.m., RHODES and GREGG were observed leaving 40 Monroe Street, from which point they proceeded to the East Broadway Station of the Independent Subway line. They proceeded to take a train to the 34th Street Station, at which point RHODES transferred to a Sixth Avenue train and proceeded to Columbus Circle. He then left the subway line and walked to the building at 250 West 57 Street, which building he entered and proceeded by elevator to one of the upper floors. It is noted that the Office of War Information is located in this building.

At 11:40 a.m. PETER RHODES was observed to leave 250 West 57 Street, and to board a 57th Street bus and proceed on it to Fifth Avenue and 53rd Street, where he left the bus and walked to the building at 20 East 53 Street, arriving and entering at 11:50 a.m.

At 2:10 p.m., RHODES and JOSEPH GREGG left the building at 20 East 53 Street, and proceeded on foot to a Shanty Restaurant located on 53 Street and Madison Avenue, where they were observed ordering and eating a meal.

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At 2:40 p.m., RHODES and GREGG left the Shanty Restaurant and walked to Fifth Avenue, where RHODES boarded a Fifth Avenue bus and proceeded to Seventh Avenue and 57 Street, where he was observed entering the Photographic Film Company located at 167 West 57 Street, where he remained for a short time and then walked to the building at 250 West 57 Street.

At 4 p.m. the surveillance was taken up by Special Agents W. R. Paxman, J. M. Collins, and J. F. McCarry, at which time Agents McCarthy and Somers discontinued.

At 5:55 p.m. RHODES was observed coming out of the elevator of the building at 250 West 57 Street, and entering the Admiral Bar, which is located in the adjoining building. While in the bar RHODES was observed making a telephone call. At 7 p.m. RHODES was observed eating with a number of people at one of the tables in the above bar. The persons with RHODES were two men and a woman.

At 7 p.m. Agent Swanson discontinued surveillance. At 7:10 p.m. RHODES, the two men and the woman left their table and walked into the lobby of 250 West 57 Street, where they stood and conversed for a few moments. At 7:15 p.m. RHODES left the building at 250 West 57 Street and walked to the station of the Eighth Avenue subway line located at 57th Street, where he boarded a subway train and proceeded to the East Broadway Station of that line. At 7:40 he left the subway train and walked to 40 Monroe Street, where he resides. At 1 a.m. surveillance was discontinued on RHODES.

In reference to the two men who were observed with RHODES in the Admiral Restaurant, one has been tentatively identified as K. O. ~~FOCK~~ or ~~JOCL~~, and was observed by Agent W. R. Paxman to sign the register at 250 West 57 Street, giving the above name and indicating that he had come from Room 509. The other man who was with RHODES was observed by Agent Paxman to sign the register as V. O. ~~ANDERSON~~, also from Room 509.

December 8, 1945

On this day at 8:15 a.m. surveillance was taken up at a point near 40 Monroe Street by Agents D. J. McCarthy, D. C. Swanson and H. J. Somers.

At 2:40 p.m. RHODES was observed entering the drug store at the corner of Monroe and Market Streets, purchasing a newspaper there, and then returning to his residence. At 4:20 p.m. the above surveillance Agents were relieved by Agents J. M. Collins, W. R. Paxman and J. F. McCarry. No activity on the part of RHODES was observed from 4 p.m. to 12:45 a.m., at which time the surveillance was discontinued.

December 9, 1945

On this day at 7:55 a.m., surveillance was taken up at a point

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near 40 Monroe Street by Agents D. J. McCarthy, H. J. Somers and D. C. Swanson. At 9:45 a.m., PETER RHODES was observed leaving his residence at 40 Monroe Street, accompanied by a woman and two children, believed to be his wife and children. They boarded a subway train of the Independent line and proceeded to the 200th Street and Dykeman Avenue station, where they left the subway train and proceeded to the street.

On the street RHODES and his party boarded an automobile bearing 1945 license No. 2 N 5250. It was later ascertained that this license plate is listed in the name of JOHN ELLIS of 139 Payson Avenue, Manhattan. This man has a business address at 320 Yonkers Avenue, Yonkers, New York. At 7 p.m. RHODES and his party, consisting of a woman and two children, were observed entering the settlement at 40 Monroe Street. Surveillance was maintained at this spot by Agents W. R. Paxman and J. M. Collins and J. F. McGorry until 12:50 a.m. on December 10, 1945, during which time no further activity on the part of RHODES was observed. On this same day, the New York Field Division was telephonically advised by the Washington Field Division that RHODES had returned to Washington.

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Re: JOSEPH GREGG, alias Green

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent DONALD E. SHANNON:

On November 28, 1945 it was ascertained from a highly confidential source that a Dr. WEINSTEIN of New York City had made contact with Mrs. GREGG, wife of JOSEPH GREGG. At that time Dr. WEINSTEIN informed Mrs. GREGG that it would not be necessary for her husband, Mr. GREGG, to come to New York that night, that is, November 28, 1945, but further requested that Mr. GREGG come to New York next Tuesday. Subsequently, Mrs. GREGG contacted her husband and advised him of these facts. At that time Mr. GREGG stated: "Oh, you mean the dentist." (u)

A check of the indices of the New York Field Office disclosed that a Dr. ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN, with offices at 20 East 53rd Street, New York, New York, had been investigated in connection with the case entitled "COMINTERN APPARATUS" with San Francisco as origin.

It was ascertained through a confidential informant that on November 28, 1945 at 9.55 a.m. a phone call was placed from the telephone exchange Eldorado 5-0781, listed to Dr. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN, 20 East 53rd Street, New York, New York to Mrs. GREGG at Randolph 5070, Washington, D. C. (u)

On December 5, 1945 it was ascertained that a telegram was sent to JOSEPH GREGG at 6829 Finny Branch Road, Washington, D. C. which read as follows: "9.30 FRIDAY APPOINTMENT OK." Signed "A.B. WEINSTEIN."

On Thursday, December 6, 1945 Special Agent ELMER MERION at the Washington Field Office advised Special Agent A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF that JOSEPH GREGG and PETER RHODES had left Washington, D. C. at 6 p.m. via the Pennsylvania Railroad, that they were traveling in Car #158 and were under surveillance by Special Agents J. L. PERCY, JOHN HANLEY and F. W. BROWN. This train arrived at Newark, New Jersey at 10.50 p.m. at which point Special Agents J. P. GAWNEY and D. E. SHANNON boarded the train; at 11.05 p.m. the train arrived at Pennsylvania Station, New York, at which point Special Agents N. H. KILLES and J. J. DANAHY met the surveillance. The surveillance of these two subjects was then maintained by Special Agents N. H. KILLES, J. J. DANAHY, J. P. GAWNEY and D. E. SHANNON. No contacts were made on this date by the subjects and it was ascertained that they entered 40 Monroe Street which is located in a settlement known as Knickerbocker Village at 11.55 p.m. Forty Monroe Street is the home of PETER RHODES.

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On December 7, 1945 a surveillance was maintained on JOSEPH GREGG by Special Agents JAMES DUGGAN, CHARLES L. GAVIN and DONALD W. SHANNON. It was ascertained that on that date JOSEPH GREGG entered the office of Dr. A. B. BENJAMIN, 20 East 53rd Street at 9.55 a.m. At 12 noon PETER RHODES was observed to enter the building at 20 East 53rd Street. At 2 p.m. PETER RHODES and JOSEPH GREGG left this building and proceeded to have lunch. At 2.35 p.m. JOSEPH GREGG reentered the building at 20 East 53rd Street and was still in the building when the surveilling agents, mentioned previously, went off duty.

Special Agents JOHN J. DANAHY and JOSEPH P. HARVEY advised that JOSEPH GREGG was observed to leave the building at 20 East 53rd Street alone at 7.25 p.m. JOSEPH GREGG subsequently entered the building at 155 East 47th Street, where it was ascertained that he visited in Apartment 7B and that the party's name who lived in this apartment was VINCENT. Subsequently, at 7.57 p.m. JOSEPH GREGG, together with a man and woman, left this apartment house and proceeded to have dinner together.

Subsequently, a picture of CRAIG S. VINCENT, who is employed in the War Shipping Administration in New York City and who resides at 155 East 47th Street in Apt. 7B, was shown to Special Agents HARVEY and DANAHY and a positive identification of CRAIG S. VINCENT was made at that time. A description of the unknown woman with JOSEPH GREGG and CRAIG S. VINCENT fits perfectly the description of Mrs. CRAIG S. VINCENT, nee JOYCE CAMPBELL, as contained in her case file in the New York Field Office.

At 10.30 p.m. JOSEPH GREGG and the man and woman mentioned previously left ANTHONY'S STEAK HOUSE, 47th Street and Lexington Avenue, and GREGG proceeded to 40 Monroe Street where he entered at 11.10 p.m.

On the following day, December 8, 1945, no contacts were made by JOSEPH GREGG and he was observed to board the 3.20 p.m. train for Washington at which point the surveillance was taken over by Special Agent J. L. FERRY.

The following information with regard to Dr. ABRAHAM BENJAMIN BENJAMIN was obtained from the file entitled "CONTINENTAL APPARATUS, INDUSTRIAL SECURITY - R" in a report made by Special Agent MARSHALL R. HARRIS at New York on July 23, 1943, which case originated at San Francisco, California:

As indicated in Bureau letter dated June 26, 1943, BENJAMIN conversed with CARL LUTER on June 16, 1943. During this conversation, many statements were made which might have hidden or double meanings.

Concerning ABRAHAM BENJAMIN, the following information was ascertained by Special Agent LAINE H. WEBB on July 9, 12, 13, 14 and 15, 1943:

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Special Employee ROBERT S. CLIFFORD ascertained from the Credit Bureau of Greater New York that LEONORE M. WEINSTEIN and ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN were residing on October 20, 1941 at 160 West 95th Street, New York City. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN was indicated to be a Dental Surgeon, located at 20 East 53rd Street, where he maintains large well appointed offices on the sixth floor of this building. The address, 425 West 57th Street, was listed as a former residence for ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN is associated professionally with MORRIS WEINSTEIN, who is believed to be his brother.

Confidential Informant NYC-77 disclosed in a report dated March 13, 1943 that pursuant to an interview with ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN, it was ascertained that ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN was a native born United States citizen of Russian descent; that he had graduated from New York University in 1923; that he practiced dentistry from 1923 to 1935 at 901 Saratoga Avenue, Brooklyn, New York and from 1935 to 1938 his offices were located at 29 West 57th Street. From 1938 until June of 1940, the offices of Dr. WEINSTEIN were located at 130 West 57th Street and from there he moved to 20 East 53rd Street.

WEINSTEIN indicated that he was associated professionally with his brother, MORRIS, who is a graduate of Columbia University, School of Dentistry, and that in their offices at 20 East 53rd Street, they maintained five dental chairs and employed five persons. It was further indicated that the two brothers, ABRAHAM and MORRIS, owned four parcels of property on which is situated three homes located at Spring Valley, New York, having a value of \$10,000 although being subject to a \$1,400 mortgage. WEINSTEIN indicated that the annual transaction of his dentist business was \$50,000 and that both he and his brother drew from this amount up to \$150 a week.

At Local Board 28, 250 West 90th Street, the Selective Service questionnaire of ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN, Order #12406, dated July 11, 1942, disclosed the following information:

At the time the questionnaire was filled out the address of WEINSTEIN was 160 West 95th Street, New York City, but on October 8, 1942 the address was changed to 35 West 92nd Street. With regard to his physical condition, WEINSTEIN indicated that he had chronic peptic ulcers. He indicated that he had attended eight years of elementary school, four years of high school, four years at the New York University, School of Dentistry, and two years of post-graduate work in oral surgery. With regard to the type of work he performed, it was indicated that WEINSTEIN specializes in oral rehabilitation. It was indicated that WEINSTEIN is in partnership with his brother and that he employs two assistant dentists. He indicated that he had eighteen years experience in this field and it was earning \$3863 a year. WEINSTEIN indicated that he hired seven workers and that he was married in Los Angeles, California in October 1939. WEINSTEIN indicated that he had real property with a net value of \$3800. and that he pays a monthly rent of \$105. for the apartment in which he lives.

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A description of ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN as obtained from the Selective Service files is as follows:

Age	42 (in 1943)
Born	New York City
	September 13, 1900
Height	5' 5"
Weight	170 lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark
Wife	LEONORE KLATOFF
Son	WILLIAM KLATOFF WEINSTEIN,
	Born June 26, 1940
Residence Address	35 West 92nd Street
Business Address	20 East 53rd Street

A review of the records of New York University, School of Dentistry, 23rd Street and 3rd Avenue, New York City, disclosed that ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN of 2486 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York, Dental Certificate #9105, registered on October 3, 1919 for the regular dentistry course. WEINSTEIN graduated in 1923. It was indicated on the registration card that WEINSTEIN had attended the DeWitt Clinton High School for one and a half years and that his father's name was HARRY WEINSTEIN.

Confidential Informant T-2 advised that there was maintained at the Corn Exchange Bank, 55th Street Branch, a commercial checking account carried in the name of A. B. WEINSTEIN or W. WEINSTEIN, 20 East 53rd Street. The financial statement filed by the WEINSTEINS on June 18, 1941 was as follows:

ASSETS

CASH	\$ 699.89
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	8,825.00
BILLS "	850.00
MERCHANDISE	4,600.00
FIXTURES	6,800.00
REAL ESTATE	10,000.00
OTHER ASSETS	<u>400.00</u>
	\$32,174.89

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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 1,045.63
BILLS "	628.40
BORROWED	1,156.40
LIABILITIES	3,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	1,400.00
NET WORTH OF FIRM	24,944.46

In addition, there was listed a three room house at Spring Valley, New York, which was owned by the WEINSTEINS with a value of \$10,000. subject to a \$1,400 mortgage. The account at the Corn Exchange Bank was opened on September 19, 1936 and the average balance during 1943 varied between \$1500 and \$2000.

During July of 1943, the following deposits were made to this account:

July 1st	\$1,400.00
July 2nd	20.00
July 6th	103.40
July 8th	511.57
Balance in account as of July 8th was	\$2251.27.

With regard to the \$1,400. deposit, Confidential Informant T-2 advised that this was a check drawn on an unknown bank in California. The withdrawals from the account during the month of July were all under \$100. Confidential Informant T-2 advised that the WEINSTEINS specialized in practicing dentistry for prominent stage and screen actors and that their type of industry consisted not in the usual type of work done by dentists but in the rebuilding of the mouth to change the facial characteristics of the patient.

Mr. H. F. CURLEY, Managing Agent for the Leonard J. Beck Realty Company, 14 West 48th Street, New York City, advised that the dental offices on the 6th floor of 20 East 53rd Street, Rooms A, B, and C, were leased by M. WEINSTEIN on August 1, 1940 at an annual rental of \$1750. Subsequently in February of 1941 Room A was added to the suite of M. WEINSTEIN at an additional rental of \$360 a year. CURLEY indicated that an unusual feature of the WEINSTEIN's occupancy was that they declined to use the switchboard, which is maintained at that address for the convenience of the occupants, and that the WEINSTEINS maintained their own private telephone system. CURLEY indicated that the building is presently being managed by the Charles Noyes Real Estate Company, 40 Wall Street, New York City.

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WILLIAM STUMP, Superintendent of the premises, 20 East 53rd Street, advised that the WEINSTEIN brothers, who maintain their offices on the sixth floor of that building, employed three male dental mechanics, a nurse, a secretary, and a female dental mechanic. He indicated that their office hours were Mondays through Fridays, unless a special appointment arose to cause them to keep office hours on Saturday or Sunday. STUMP related that the patronage of the WEINSTEINS consisted of important screen and stage actors and producers and that quite frequently when actors or producers were in New York from Hollywood, they would have their dental work done by WEINSTEIN.

Dental Inspector C. WATERS, New York State Building, 80 Centre Street, New York City, advised that he could locate no dental registration for ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN, for the years 1940, 1941, or 1942. He did succeed, however, in locating a registration during the year 1929. WATERS indicated that failure to register was a violation of the New York State law but that possibly he was registered in some locality other than New York City. WATERS further indicated that WEINSTEIN was not a member of the Dental Society.

On July 15, 1943, it was ascertained from a highly confidential source that JOHN WILLIAMSON, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, who has previously been referred to in instant case, was in possession of an appointment card for A. B. or M. WEINSTEIN, 20 East 53rd Street, for January 21st at 10.30 a.m. (U)

A review of the New York Telephone Directory disclosed that an A. B. WEINSTEIN was listed at the address 901 Saratoga Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. It is recalled that ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN indicated that he had previously maintained his office at this address.

A further check of the indices of the New York Field Office disclosed that in conducting a physical surveillance of RALPH BOWMAN, who himself is subject of an internal security - R investigation with New York as origin and who has been identified as the unknown "AL" in the COMINTERN APPARATUS Case, that in late 1943 and in early 1944 on several occasions RALPH BOWMAN was observed to enter the premises at 20 East 53rd Street and it was ascertained that he visited the office of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN who maintains offices on the 6th floor of this building.

The indices also reflect that on May 29, 1944 VICTORIA STONE, subject of an internal security - R investigation with New York as origin and a close associate of ARTHUR ADAMS, subject of an internal security - R investigation, had contacted Mrs. LENORE K. WEINSTEIN of 106 Stamford Avenue, Stamford, Connecticut. She is the wife of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN who at that time resided at 106 Stamford Avenue, Stamford, Connecticut. (U)

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The indices also disclose that on June 25, 1945 Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN was in contact with ANDREW LONDA, former State Communist Party President in the State of Connecticut. ~~(u)~~

All this information previously mentioned is contained in the case entitled COMMUNIST APPARATUS with San Francisco as origin. This file also disclosed that on July 3, 1945 Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN resided at 248 Stamford Avenue, Stamford, Connecticut and that his unlisted telephone was Stamford 4-5664. There was a discussion at that time relative to the WEINSTEINs' moving from that address.

The building at 20 East 53rd Street, New York, New York is owned and operated by MORIS DYCKMAN, who owns a jewelry shop at 73 West 47th Street, New York, New York. MORIS DYCKMAN resides at 121 West 47th Street, New York, New York. It was ascertained that he also owns property located at the following addresses:

31 West 46th Street
28 West 47th Street
73 West 47th Street
20 East 53rd Street
226 5th Avenue
431 Riverside Drive
17 East 48th Street

MORIS DYCKMAN was interviewed under pretext and it was ascertained that the building at 20 East 53rd Street has been owned by him for the past one year and that he employs a Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH SMALL as superintendents of the building. It was ascertained that MORIS DYCKMAN did not know ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN personally and that he had very little dealing of a personal nature with him. He stated that WEINSTEIN still maintained offices on the sixth floor of the building at 20 East 53rd Street, New York, New York and that, in fact, he rented the entire sixth floor of this building and had several dentists working for him.

Mrs. JOSEPH SMALL, who resides at 32-32 1st Street, Jackson Heights, New York, advised when interviewed that she had been employed in that building for the past two years as a sort of assistant to her husband and that she also operated the elevator in the building. This building has seven floors and the tenants, with two exceptions, are all doctors and dentists. Mrs. SMALL advised that she knew all of the tenants on the sixth floor and that she was quite certain that she would recognize a picture of anyone who was a frequent visitor to that floor.

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[A picture of ANATOLE BORISOVICH GROMOV was exhibited to Mrs. SMALL and she stated she had never seen this individual on any occasion. She further informed that most of the patients who were treated on the sixth floor by Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN and his associates were persons of prominence and that many of them were stars of the theatrical field.

Dr. IRVING GATTON, a dentist at 250 West 57th Street, who is presently a Professor at New York University Dental School located on West 23rd Street in New York City and who was a classmate of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, was contacted in order to obtain a copy of the year book in which appears a picture of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN. This picture will be exhibited to Confidential Informant GREGORY for possible identification as the unknown "CHARLIE" mentioned by Confidential Informant GREGORY.

It should be noted that Confidential Informant GREGORY described "CHARLIE" as a dentist and gave the following description of CHARLIE:

Age	About 55 years of age
Height	5' 5"
Weight	160 lbs.
Build	Stocky
Hair	Dark
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Swarthy
Nationality	Russian-Jewish (in U.S. for several years)

This description is very similar to that of Dr. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN as contained in the information on Dr. WEINSTEIN in the COMINTERN APPARATUS CASE.

In connection with the party named VINCENT who was contacted by JOSEPH GREGG on December 7, 1945, it was ascertained through a contact with Mr. WILLIAM HARR, who is the Managing Agent employed by the real estate firm of FRASE & ELLMAN, that Apt. 7B has been rented for the past two years to Mr. and Mrs. CRAIG S. VINCENT. Mr. HARR further stated that CRAIG S. VINCENT is employed by the War Shipping Administration in New York City and that his wife, who is also known as JOYCE CAMPBELL, was also employed at one time by the government. Mr. HARR stated that up until about a year ago CRAIG S. VINCENT's father, MERLE D. VINCENT, resided in that apartment. He stated that MERLE D. VINCENT now lived in Washington, D. C. and was employed by the United States Government. (S) (u)

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A review of the files of the New York Field Office disclosed that CRAIG S. VINCENT has been mentioned on several occasions as one who was connected with individuals and organizations that were thought to be followers of the Communist principles. He is presently the Regional Representative of the Recruiting and Manning Agency of the War Shipping Administration in New York City. In September, 1944 he was reported to be receiving an annual salary of \$7,500. and he was reported to be or to have been a member of Local 10 of the UNITED FEDERAL WORKERS UNION. He was reported at that time to have been in daily contact with and to be associating with higher officials of the NATIONAL MARITIME UNION who were known to be Communistically inclined. He was reported to have admitted before a Congressional Investigating Committee on March 1, 1944 that he fought the enactment of the Selective Training and Service Act. He is alleged to have admitted that he has been a member of the AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND DEMOCRACY, the COMMITTEE FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION and the NATIONAL FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTY. (u)

VINCENT is known to be highly regarded by persons high in Communist circles and to have agreed prior to June, 1944 to act as Chairman of the NON-PARTISAN CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PUSH THE SOLDIERS VOTE AND THE REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN. It is reported that his cooperation in this matter was regarded by known Communists as an act which would encourage others in the public service who previously refrained from such activities because of federal legislation.

With regard to Mrs. CRAIG S. VINCENT, nee JOYCE CAMPBELL, she is the subject of a closed Internal Security - Hatch Act investigation with Washington, D. C. as origin. She is no longer a government employee but is now employed as the Executive Director of the AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR YUGOSLAV RELIEF with offices at 235 East 11th Street, New York, New York.

BERNIE D. VINCENT, father of CRAIG S. VINCENT, is also the subject of a closed Internal Security - Hatch Act investigation with Washington, D.C. as origin. According to a report made by Special Agent ARTHUR B. HARGO at Washington, D. C. on March 5, 1945 in the case entitled "BERNIE D. VINCENT; SECURITY MATTER-C", BERNIE D. VINCENT was employed as Associate Director, Consumer Goods Price Division, Office of Price Administration, Washington, D.C.

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RE: ALEXANDER KORAL

The following matters dictated by Special Agent NICHOLAS H. KALLES covers investigation conducted through the period from December 5, to December 12, 1945.

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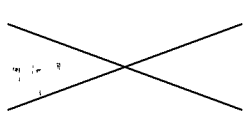
On this day surveillance of KORAL was taken up by Special Agents J. J. DALAHEY and R. F. MILLER at 8:00 a.m. at a point near 230 Empire Blvd., Brooklyn, New York, KORAL's residence. At 8:10 a.m. KORAL was observed leaving his residence at 230 Empire Blvd. from which point he proceeded to the building at 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension in which is housed some officer of the Board of Education. Surveillance was maintained at this point until 3:15 p.m. at which time KORAL was observed to leave 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension by Special Agents J. C. WALSH and P. J. CARROLL, who had taken up the surveillance at 4:15 p.m.

KORAL proceeded on foot and by subway to Ocean Avenue and Sheepshead Bay where he met his wife and at 6:30 p.m. both were observed entering Lundy's Restaurant at Sheepshead Bay. At 7:40 p.m. KORAL and his wife came out of Lundy's Restaurant and proceeded by trolley car to Rogers Avenue and Empire Blvd. from which point they walked to their residence at 230 Empire Blvd., entering at 8:40 p.m.

Surveillance was maintained at a point near 230 Empire Blvd. until 12:30 a.m., at which time it was discontinued.

December 6, 1945

On this day surveillance of KORAL was taken up at 8:00 a.m. at a point near 230 Empire Blvd. by Special Agents W. H. BELSON and R. F. MILLER. At 8:10 a.m. KORAL left the building at 230 Empire Blvd. and proceeded by foot and subway to 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension, arriving there at 8:50 a.m.



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At 1:25 p.m. KOPAL was observed leaving 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension and proceeded to a Navy Y.M.C.A. at 149 Sand Street, Brooklyn, New York, where he had lunch. At 2:10 p.m. KOPAL left the Navy Y.M.C.A. and returned on foot to 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension.

At 5:00 p.m. Special Agents WILSON and MILLER were relieved by Special Agents C. M. FRANKLIN and F. J. CARROLL.

At 5:15 p.m. KOPAL departed from 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension and proceeded via subway and on foot to his residence at 290 Empire Blvd., arriving there and entering at 6:00 p.m. No further activity was observed on the part of KOPAL on this day and at 12:30 a.m. surveillance was discontinued.

December 7, 1945

On this day at 8:00 a.m. surveillance of KOPAL was taken up at a point near 290 Empire Blvd. by Special Agents W. E. WILSON and R. F. MILLER. At 8:15 a.m. KOPAL left 290 Empire Blvd. and proceeded by subway and on foot to 49 Flatbush Avenue extension, arriving there and entering at 8:50 a.m.

At 1:25 p.m. KOPAL left 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension and walked via Flatbush Avenue to Grand Army Place and thence to his residence at 290 Empire Blvd., arriving and there at 3:30 p.m.

At 4:30 p.m. surveillance was taken up at a point near 290 Empire Blvd. by Special Agents C. M. FRANKLIN and F. J. CARROLL. No activity on the part of KOPAL was observed by these agents during the rest of this day and at 12:30 a.m. surveillance was discontinued.

December 8, 1945

On this day at 8:00 a.m. surveillance was taken up at a point near 290 Empire Blvd. by Special Agents RALPH F. MILLER and W. E. WILSON. At 11:45 a.m. KOPAL came out of his residence and walked to Sterling Street and Ocean Avenue where he purchased a newspaper and then returned to his residence.

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At 1:35 p.m. KORAL, accompanied by his wife, departed from 290 Empire Blvd. and proceeded on foot to the Botanical Gardens, entering at the gate located at Flatbush Avenue and Empire Blvd. They remained in the gardens until 2:30 p.m. at which time they again proceeded on foot to their residence, arriving there and entering at 2:35 p.m. At 2:40 p.m., KORAL was observed conducting a shopping tour in a number of delicatessens along Empire Blvd., but he returned home at 2:50 p.m.

At 4:00 p.m. surveillance was taken up near KORAL's residence by Special Agents C. M. FRANKLIN and P. J. CARROLL. While under surveillance of the above agents, at 7:35 p.m. KORAL was observed leaving 290 Empire Blvd. accompanied by his wife. He boarded a subway train at Nostrand Avenue and Sterling Street and proceeded via subway to Grand Central Station in Manhattan, arriving there at 8:30 p.m. At this point KORAL and his wife proceeded up the stairs as if to leave the station but then suddenly turned and walked back down to the subway platform and waited for a downtown local train. At that time KORAL and his wife both engaged in maneuvers which appeared to be directed toward the location of a surveillance and therefore surveillance was temporarily discontinued at this point.

At 12:30 a.m. KORAL and his wife were observed entering their residence at Empire Blvd. At 12:45 a.m. surveillance was discontinued.

December 9, 1945

On this day at 8:00 a.m. surveillance was taken up at a point near 290 Empire Blvd. by Special Agents M. E. FORRENS and W. H. WILSON. At 11:20 a.m. KORAL came out of his residence and walked to Nostrand Avenue and Sterling Street where he purchased a newspaper and then returned to 290 Empire Blvd.

At 3:00 p.m. KORAL, accompanied by his wife, came out of the building at 290 Empire Blvd. and proceeded via Empire Blvd., Sterling Street and Flatbush Avenue to the Botanical Gardens, entering the gardens at Empire Blvd. and Flatbush Avenue. KORAL and his wife walked about the

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gardens until approximately 4:00 p.m. at which time they came out of the gardens at Eastern Parkway and proceeded along Washington Avenue to St. Johns Street where they again engaged in repeated manoeuvres which appeared to be directed toward determining the presence of a surveillance. Inasmuch as there were a few people on the streets at this time, the surveillance was temporarily discontinued in order that possible identification of the surveillance agents be frustrated.

At 4:00 p.m. Special Agent J. I. CONDON and P. J. CARROLL joined the surveillance of KORAL. At 7:35 p.m. KORAL and his wife were observed entering 230 Empire Blvd.

No further activity was observed on the part of KORAL or his wife on this day. At 12:10 a.m. the surveillance was discontinued.

December 10, 1945

On this day at 8:00 a.m. surveillance was taken up at a point near 290 Empire Blvd. by Special Agents M. E. FORRENS and W. H. WILSON. At 8:10 a.m. KORAL came out of 230 Empire Blvd. and proceeded via subway to 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension, arriving there and entering that building at 8:45 a.m.

At 1:10 p.m. KORAL came out of 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension and walked to the NAVY Y.M.C.A. where he had lunch and remained until 1:30 p.m. at which time he returned to 49 Flatbush Avenue extension.

At 4:00 p.m. Special Agents FORRENS and WILSON were relieved by Special Agents J. I. CONDON and P. J. CARROLL. At 5:35 p.m. KORAL left 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension and proceeded by foot and subway to his residence at 230 Empire Blvd., arriving there and entering at 6:20 p.m.

No further activity was observed on the part of KORAL during the remainder of the day and surveillance was discontinued at 12:15 a.m.

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On this day at 8:00 a.m. surveillance was taken up at a point near 290 Empire Blvd. by Special Agents M. E. TORRENS and R. F. MILLER. At 8:15 a.m. KORAL came out of 290 Empire Blvd. and proceeded via subway and on foot to 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension, arriving there and entering at 8:45 a.m.

At 1:20 p.m. KORAL left 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension and proceeded to the Navy Y.M.C.A. where he had lunch and returned to 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension at 1:40 p.m.

At 4:00 p.m. Special Agents M. E. TORRENS and R. F. MILLER were relieved by Special Agents J. I. CONDON and C. M. FRANKLIN. At 5:20 p.m. KORAL left 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension and proceeded on foot and by subway to his residence at 290 Empire Blvd., arriving and entering at 6:05 p.m.

KORAL was not observed to leave his residence after this time and the surveillance was discontinued at 12:30 a.m.

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RE: ALEXANDER KORAL

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent NICHOLAS M. KALMES during the period from December 6th to December 12, 1945.

Mr. SALVATORE BASILE was recontacted by the writer concerning ALEXANDER KORAL and obtained the following additional information. KORAL occupies a four room apartment at 230 Empire Blvd., Brooklyn, New York, and has living with him and his wife, their one son, namely RICHARD, who has recently been discharged from the Army. KORAL also has another son (the wife's name and both sons' names, have been set out in a previous insert) who is reported by KORAL to be presently in a sanatorium suffering from tuberculosis of the bones. KORAL is described as a man who studiously minds his own business and although he has resided in the apartment house for over five years, very little is known about him by the superintendent. The superintendent states that he has been in KORAL's apartment only two or three times in the past five years.

BASILE told the writer that KORAL has a farm but the location is not known to him. KORAL also has an automobile, the make and license number of which are unknown to the superintendent.

The following information was obtained from Confidential Informant T1 at the New York City Board of Education:

ALEXANDER KORAL was appointed to the position of Mechanical Draftsman in the Bureau of Construction, Board of Education, on January 16, 1922 at a salary of \$2410. per annum. He obtained a leave of absence on March 15, 1928 which the board records reflect was continuous until Feb. 1, 1935, at which time he was given an appointment as a permanent mechanical engineer. Between 1922 and 1935 he held a position as temporary employee doing draftsman work when needed. On July 1, 1942, he obtained the position of Assistant Mechanical Engineer. On April 1, 1945, his salary was increased to \$4500. and on June 3, 1945, he received a cost of living bonus of \$250. per year, bringing his income from the Board of Education to \$4850.

During the course of interviewing SALVATORE BASILE it was learned from him that KORAL associated frequently with a tenant in the adjoining building (270 Empire Blvd.) whose name was JULIUS SWAGER.

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From Confidential Informant E1 at the New York City Board of Education it was ascertained that one JULIUS ~~WILSON~~ ~~SHERAGER~~ was appointed a teacher in the New York City schools in 1939 and that his subject was woodworking, which he taught in junior high schools.

SHERAGER was born on January 9, 1899 in Worcester, Mass. and his father's name was PAUL SCHERAGER who was born in Russia, and his mother was HENA FISHER. From this Informant it was learned that SHERAGER resided in Boston and environs until approximately 1930, during which time he was employed by his mother in Worcester, Mass. in a store which was maintained by the family at 25 Foster Street, Worcester. He was also employed by J. H. BUCKLEY & COMPANY, builders, in Boston and by I. RAIL & SONS as a carpenter in Worcester, Mass. He was employed in 1935 and 1936 by JACKSON & CURTIS, 115 Broadway, New York, New York.

SHERAGER obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in education at New York University in 1933. As stated above, SHERAGER presently resides at 270 Empire Blvd. in Brooklyn, New York.

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RE: ALEXANDER KORAL

The following information was secured by Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey from the files of the New York Office:

A check of the indices of the New York Field Division for the name of ALEXANDER KORAL was made with negative results. However, information pertaining to his son, RICHARD KORAL, and several other persons by the name of KORAL is being set forth for future reference.

The files reflect that on February 23, 1944 Confidential Informant N, whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that a party held by the American Youth for Democracy at 1939 85 Street, Brooklyn, was attended by RICHARD KORAL, who was characterized as a good friend of LAURENCE HARRIS. It was further stated that KORAL was born on December 21, 1924 at 960 Prospect Avenue, Bronx, and that his father and mother were born in Russia. *Unclass per Navy letter dtd 8-5-88
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RICHARD KORAL above mentioned may be the son of the subject.

The files further reflect that RICHARD (DICK) KORAL of 290 Empire Boulevard (the home address of ALEXANDER KORAL) was listed as a member of the AYD; that RICHARD KORAL was a member of the Tom Paine Club at City College and an officer of that club (newspaper editor); that DICK KORAL of 290 Empire Boulevard was listed as an officer of the Tom Paine Club of City College as of January 18, 1945; that Confidential Informant A, whose identity is known to the Bureau, stated that DICK KORAL, a discharged soldier of 3½ months in service, was present at an Executive Committee meeting of the Tom Paine Club on May 9, 1944; and that DICK KORAL was elected President of the Tom Paine Club of City College on May 18, 1944. *Unclass per Army letter dtd 8-9-88 (portion of R)
Jan 8-18-89*

The files also reflect that Confidential Informant N, whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised on June 2, 1941 that in the middle of May, 1941 a young man came to one of the classes at the Brooklyn Technical High School, DeKalb Avenue and Fourth Green Place, Brooklyn, and asked to see one JACK KORAL, a teacher of mechanical drawing and machine design. This young man had a roll of approximately twelve blueprints of reaming and dressing tools used at Picatinny Arsenal. These tools were used in redressing the inside of shells and taking out excess metal left from rough machining. The numbers had been cut out. JACK

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KORAL was not at the school at the time and the blueprints were not delivered to him. The young man refused to give his name but it was known he had been a student of KORAL's at one time. The man was described as follows:

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for 8-22-89

Age	About 22
Height	5' 8"
Weight	135 pounds
Appearance	Clean shaven
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Characteristics	Good manners; quiet low voice

He stated to the informant that he worked at Picatinny Arsenal for a subcontractor named ~~CHRISTIAN~~ or ~~CHRISTIANSON~~ as an apprentice on tool parts.

JACK KORAL is known to have Communist leanings and is rumored to have taken part in Communist meetings around Brooklyn Technical High School.

Investigation will be made to determine whether ALEXANDER KORAL was employed at Brooklyn Technical High School during May, 1941.

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The following information is being reported by Special Agents Thomas G. Spencer and Joseph M. Kelly concerning conversations had with Confidential Informant GREGORY from December 7, 1945 to December 12, 1945:

On December 7, 1945, GREGORY advised that she had received a telephone call and had also seen RAY ELSON the previous day, and according to ELSON she recently became employed by the FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES at East 42nd Street. ELSON did not indicate what type of work she was doing or whether this job was a permanent one. Informant stated that her conversation with ELSON on these two occasions was primarily of a social nature, and she expects to hear from ELSON within the very near future. In this telephone conversation GREGORY was desirous of knowing what course she and Colonel REYNOLDS should follow in the negotiations with LEM HARRIS and TED BAYER relative to the future of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION. She stated that at the meeting planned for 5:00 p.m. December 7th by HARRIS, BAYER, REYNOLDS and herself, that HARRIS and BAYER would unquestionably want to come to a definite arrangement as to how the business in this corporation was to be handled. It was pointed out to her that probably the best course of action to take was to advise Colonel REYNOLDS when she met him just prior to the meeting that no definite commitments should be made either by herself or Colonel REYNOLDS to HARRIS or BAYER. She was informed that she should attempt to find out what sort of a proposition HARRIS and BAYER had to offer and to take this proposition on a tentative basis.

It was made clear to the informant by the agents that this Bureau did not intend to give her any hard and fast instructions relative to the future of the business, but after considerable discussion of the whole problem she volunteered the opinion that if she were going to be able to keep cognizant of the activities of the company, and to a lesser extent of the activities of BAYER and HARRIS, she would of course best be able to do so by retaining her employment with the company. Inasmuch as she had previously advised the agents that REYNOLDS had requested her to confer with EARL BROWDER and attempt to get some advice from him, it was mentioned that she might have another conference with BROWDER for the ostensible purpose of seeking his counsel and incidently to learn what she could about BROWDER's attitude towards his former colleagues in the Party as well as any other relevant information he might have. She agreed that she could arrange such a conference with BROWDER without jeopardizing her position or arousing undue suspicion.

GREGORY telephonically communicated with Agent Spencer at 9:00 p.m. on December 7, 1945 and advised briefly that HARRIS and BAYER had indicated a desire to keep the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING COMPANY going and to operate it together with WORLD TOURISTS, INC. It appeared that HARRIS and BAYER were definitely desirous of having REYNOLDS continue as the President of U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING and having GREGORY more or less in charge of both U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING and WORLD TOURISTS, INC. GREGORY advised, however, that she had

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been quite ill all during December 7th and was enroute to her hotel. She advised that in the event she felt better she would be available for interview the next day; however, she subsequently advised that she was confined to bed with what appeared to be an attack of flu or grippe and was subsequently so confined to her hotel room until December 12, 1945 when she returned to the offices of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING COMPANY for several hours during the morning.

She was interviewed for approximately one hour and one half on the afternoon of December 12, 1945. She related that at the meeting which took place in Colonel REYNOLDS' apartment on December 7, 1945, TED BAYER indicated that he was taking over the financial duties of the Communist Party in New York and that LEM HARRIS was going to return to the agricultural field of the Party and would operate in Pennsylvania and New York but would probably have his headquarters in New York City. She indicated that HARRIS had formerly been connected with the Farm Research Bureau, apparently an adjunct of the Communist Party, and that he apparently intends to devote most of his time to organizing activities in the agricultural field. She continued that on the occasion of this meeting, which was the first time she had ever seen or met BAYER, the latter seemed to treat her with some suspicion and when HARRIS made the introduction, asking if BAYER knew her, BAYER somewhat sarcastically indicated that he knew a lot about her and her past. It was learned from the informant that neither BAYER or HARRIS appears to have secured any new Russian contact, and it was the informant's opinion that they intend to operate the business for the purpose of drawing from it as speedily as possible enough money to reimburse them for the original \$15,000.00 investment ostensibly made by BROWDER but which actually appears to have come from Party funds.

Informant further declared that from the trend of the remarks made by HARRIS and BAYER at the meeting, it is their apparent intention to effect a closer working arrangement between U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. and WORLD TOURISTS, INC., which latter concern they propose to make the sole receiving agent. It is noted that beginning with the period during which GOLOS operated the WORLD TOURISTS, INC. there were several sub-agencies in different cities of the country which solicited and received shipping business for the account of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. It was not clear to the Informant why BAYER and HARRIS seemed desirous of designating WORLD TOURISTS, INC. to be the sole agent; inasmuch as previously the sub-agents always forwarded all papers and records to WORLD TOURISTS, INC. in New York, and further in view of REYNOLDS' expressed desire to have several sub-agents for WORLD TOURISTS, INC. As part of their apparent intention to bring about a closer working arrangement between the two concerns, BAYER instructed informant to have an early meeting with LOUIS BERDANSKY, President of WORLD TOURISTS, INC.,

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for the purpose of accomplishing this end. It was further learned from her that during the meeting BAYER requested to see the financial books and records of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION; informant explained to him that an accountant was presently bringing the books up to date and they would not be ready for some time, and she cited this request as partial basis for her opinion that BAYER actually intends to operate the concern on a business basis and that he is genuinely interested in knowing its present financial position and possibilities. Informant was unable to conclude whether REYNOLDS would retain his interest, financial and otherwise, in U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION in view of the intended domination of it by HARRIS and BAYER, but was of the opinion that he probably will continue in the same fashion as in the past inasmuch as BAYER exerts great influence over him.

She recalled some further information relative to her previous conversation with RAY ELSON as noted above. She stated that when she last saw ELSON she talked over the new deal that was in store for U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION and WORLD TOURISTS, and at that point asked her whether she had seen her contact recently. ELSON remarked that she had not seen him for some time. She went on to explain that her husband has no knowledge of her, ELSON's, activities and does not know anything about her meeting her Russian contact. GREGORY then asked her what sort of an explanation she would make to her husband in the event her contact called her late some evening and she had to leave her home and go to some designated meeting place, and ELSON replied that her husband knew of some of her former work on behalf of the Communist Party and that she could always offer the explanation to him that it was Party business which necessitated her keeping any appointment which might be made. It was learned from informant that during her conversation with ELSON, the latter mentioned the articles in the "NEW YORK JOURNAL AMERICAN" written by HOWARD RUSHMORE concerning the "Adamson" case; ELSON told informant she felt there might be "a germ of truth" in the articles but that she thought they were exaggerated and did not appear at all alarmed by them.

On the occasion of this interview, there were displayed to informant photographs of ARTHUR ADAMS, IGNACY WITCZAK, and LEONARD COHEN, known to have been a contact of WITCZAK's, but she identified none of them, and said they did not resemble anyone whom she knew. It is to be noted that informant again stated, with reference to her Russian contact "JACK", that he had small poor teeth in front and that his eyebrows, brown in color, were unusually heavy.

GREGORY was questioned as to her knowledge of anyone known as "JOEY" or "KOCH" mentioned in Washington Field Office teletype of December 11, 1945, but she was unable to identify anyone that she knew by such names. She indicated that the only "JOEY" she knew was JOSEPH ELSON, husband of RAY ELSON. She was

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again questioned concerning any further information she might have concerning one "JAFFO" who she referred to in her statement of November 30, 1945. She recalled that shortly after she met GOLOS in October of 1938, he informed her that "JAFFO" was living at the Hotel Paris in New York City and he was desirous of having someone get in touch with this individual. He suggested that she take up residence at the Paris Hotel and attempt to become friendly with "JAFFO" so that she could learn what he was doing. She refused to do this and after one other attempt on the part of GOLOS some months later and her refusal, GOLOS made no further attempts to have her meet this individual. She recalled that GOLOS indicated that "JAFFO" has been a traitor to the working class. She stated that her contact "JACK" also gave her some information concerning "JAFFO", and it appears that "JAFFO", according to "JACK", had been an anti-Soviet agent for years, and there is some indication that he was associated with RICHARD WALDO. "JACK" described him as having a definite hatred for the Russians, but an individual who would sell his services to the highest bidder. "JACK" accused "JAFFO" of smuggling diamonds and valuables out of Russia and using the proceeds to finance anti-Soviet and Anti-Communist groups in the United States. From the information appearing in GREGORY's statement and the information noted above, it appears that "JAFFO" is identical with DAVID PAUL JAFFO, the subject of a closed espionage case of the New York Office, Bureau files 100-212142 and 61-6696.

GREGORY's knowledge of the places of residence that GOLOS occupied during the time she knew him is that when she first met GOLOS in October of 1938, he was residing with Mrs. CAROLINE KLEIN at 106 West 13th Street. According to GREGORY, Mrs. KLEIN was born in Russia and is a Communist Party member. She did not recall that GOLOS used the address of Mrs. KLEIN for some of his activities; it appears, however, that GOLOS indicated to KLEIN that he was a Communist and that all his activities took place during the time he resided there and were in connection with the Communist Party. Subsequently, sometime in 1939, at the time of the investigation of WORLD TOURISTS, INC., GOLOS moved from the KLEIN residence in order not to involve her, and subsequently lived in numerous third and fourth class hotels. She can only recall the following hotels: LATHRUP, WOLCOTT, and MADISON. She related, however, that no one was supposed to know the names of the hotels where GOLOS resided except his Russian contacts and of course herself.

In connection with GREGORY's places of residence since she became involved in GOLOS' activities, she stated that in October of 1938 she resided in a rooming house at 562 West 113th Street, New York City, and that in December of 1938 she moved to 18 Grove Street, New York City where she resided until December of 1940 when she moved to 58 Barrow Street, New York City. She remained at this address until February of 1945 at which time she moved to the

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ST. GEORGE HOTEL and has resided there to date with the exception of several months during the summer when she was on vacation.

On the basis of a partial review of the files in the New York Division, it is believed that the HELFAND or GELFAND mentioned on pages 8 and 9 of informant's statement dated November 30, 1945, is identical with LEON HELFAND, with aliases, who is the subject of a pending Internal Security - R, Custodial Detention file in the New York Office (Bureau File 100-139925). Pertinent files are presently being reviewed in an effort to make a positive identification of this subject with the individual described by informant.

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RE: MRS. RAY ELSON, aka,
Mrs. Joseph Elson
161 West 16th Street,
New York, New York

The following investigation is reported by Special Agent
Howard Robert Hawkins:

Physical Surveillance

On December 3, 1945 at 4:55 P.M., JOSEPH ELSON was observed entering his residence at 161 West 16th Street, New York City. At 6:00 P.M. RAY ELSON was observed entering her residence carrying what appeared to be groceries and packages. At 6:50 P.M., she reappeared, walked to the Sherry Laundry at 7th Avenue and 16th Street, where she left some laundry, and shortly thereafter returned to her residence. At 9:10 P.M., RAY and her husband were observed leaving their residence. They walked to 8th Street and 6th Avenue, window shopping en route, and later returned to their residence at 9:50 P.M. The lights were turned out in their apartment at 10:25 P.M. and no further activity was observed on this date.

On December 4, 1945 no activity was observed by RAY ELSON. It is believed, however, that she spent the day in the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES at 205 East 42nd Street, New York City, where she had obtained employment during this week.

On December 5, 1945 at 12:50 A.M., RAY and her husband were observed walking north on 7th Avenue at West 16th Street and to enter their residence. At 9:25 A.M., RAY left her residence and proceeded by subway to 205 East 42nd Street. It was ascertained that she went to the 16th Floor of that building, where the offices of the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES are located. At 5:45 P.M., she left the above address and proceeded by crosstown streetcar to 6th Avenue, where she obtained a subway and proceeded to 17 West 70th Street. At 10:10 P.M., she left the above address and proceeded by subway to her residence, where she entered at 10:40 P.M. The lights were turned out in subjects' apartment at 10:50 P.M. At 17 West 70th Street RAY apparently visited JOSEPHINE LOUISE SCHATZ and one Mrs. JAMES E. HURLEY.

On December 6, 1945 at 9:28 A.M., RAY left her residence and proceeded by subway to 205 East 42nd Street, where she entered. At 5:45 P.M., she left this address and walked to 5th Avenue, where she boarded a southbound bus, which she rode to 28th Street. From there she

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walked to Robert's Bar and Restaurant, 1151 Broadway, where she entered at 6:05 P.M. She was observed to take a seat alone in the front of this restaurant. At 6:10 P.M., RAY was joined by a woman identified as Confidential Informant GREGORY. RAY and GREGORY walked to a rear booth where they had dinner. At 7:10 P.M., RAY and GREGORY left the Robert's Bar and Restaurant and walked to 23rd Street and 7th Avenue, where they boarded a downtown I.R.T. subway. RAY left the subway at 14th Street and walked directly to her residence, entering at 7:30 P.M. The lights were turned out in the apartment at 11:15 P.M.

On December 7, 1945 at 9:30 A.M., RAY left her residence and proceeded to 205 East 42nd Street, where she entered at 9:50 A.M. At 12:30 P.M., she reappeared and was observed shopping in the vicinity and to enter the PERRY PRINTING AND STATIONERY COMPANY store at 235 East 42nd Street. At 1:25 P.M., she reentered 205 East 42nd Street. At 5:45 P.M. she reappeared and proceeded by subway to Times Square, where it was necessary to discontinue the surveillance for security reasons. At 10:15 P.M., she was observed to enter her residence alone. No further activity was observed on this date.

On December 8, 1945 at 10:25 A.M., RAY left her residence and walked to GEORGE'S SHOE REPAIR SHOP, 112 7th Avenue, where she obtained a package and returned to her residence a few minutes later. At 12:10 P.M. she reappeared and was observed shopping in the vicinity of her residence. She returned to her residence at 12:30 P.M. No further activity was observed on this date except that observation of subjects' apartment revealed that they were entertaining guests at home in the evening on that date.

On December 9, 1945 at 11:35 A.M., RAY and her husband left their residence and proceeded by taxicab bearing New York license number 026139 to 341 West 84th Street. They entered this address at 11:50 A.M. At 5:05 P.M., they reappeared and walked to the intersection of 50th Street and Broadway. At that point they obtained a subway and proceeded to DROSSIES RESTAURANT, 46 Greenwich Avenue, where they had dinner. After dinner they walked to their residence, where they entered at 7:30 P.M. While at 341 West 84th Street, it is believed that RAY and her husband visited one Miss BILLIE HARDY, according to information obtained from Confidential Informant NYT 342, whose identity is known to the Bureau.

On December 10, 1945 at 10:30 A.M. RAY left her residence and walked to a newsstand at the intersection of 16th Street and 7th Avenue, where she purchased the New York newspaper, "P.M." From there she proceeded south on the east side of 7th Avenue. When she had nearly reached

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15th Street, she turned around and retraced her steps to the newsstand. She then again turned around and started south on 7th Avenue. She walked back and forth on the street for a period of about thirty seconds and finally walked to the ACCURATE PHARMACY on the corner of 15th Street and 7th Avenue, where she entered and obtained breakfast. At 10:50 A.M. she left this address, obtained a subway at 14th Street and 7th Avenue and proceeded to 34th Street. From there she walked to MACY'S DEPARTMENT STORE in Herald Square, where she entered. She took the escalator to the 2nd floor and entered the ladies' wear department. At this point the surveillance was discontinued and efforts to observe RAY'S leaving MACY'S DEPARTMENT STORE met with negative results.

The surveillance was reinstituted at her residence and at 3:05 P.M., she was observed to enter her residence. At 5:05 P.M., JOSEPH ELSON was observed to enter subjects' residence and at 11:35 P.M., the lights were turned out in their apartment.

In connection with the RAY ELSON'S physical surveillance, a survey was made of the vicinity of her residence for the purpose of obtaining an observation point for use in connection with this surveillance. It was determined that the only suitable and available space was part of a building on the first floor occupied by the GORDON O'NEILL WHOLESALE LIQUOR COMPANY at 91 Seventh Avenue. It was determined that MAX W. FEDERBUSH was President and Chairman of the Board of the FEDERBUSH COMPANY, INC., 91 7th Avenue and that he has charge of the rental of space in this building. It was further determined that the FEDERBUSH COMPANY was an old family concern engaged in the manufacture of binders, mostly under Government contract. Mr. FEDERBUSH was contacted regarding space, at which time he offered his full cooperation. Through arrangements made by him with CHARLES HOFFMAN of the GORDON O'NEILL COMPANY, space was obtained in this building for use in connection with the physical surveillance. This space permits observation of the ELSONS' apartment, as well as observation of both exits of their apartment house. The physical surveillance is being conducted from this point at this time by the surveilling Agents.

The physical surveillance logs for the period reported above have been placed in the file on this case. The Special Agents who have conducted this surveillance are as follows:

William J. Clothier
Edward J. Distelhorst
Frank S. Mitchell
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Gerard A. Pote
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Confidential Informant NYT 342, whose identity is known to the Bureau, reported the following activities concerning RAY ELSON:

On December 3, 1945 at 5:10 P.M., an outgoing call was made by a person believed to be JOSEPH ELSON to one known as ETHEL, but believed to be RAY ELSON. JOSEPH stated that he had just arrived home and ETHEL said that she would be home about 6:00 P.M. and have dinner at home. JOSEPH said he had to meet "somebody back down there at 7". He suggested that they go together, to which ETHEL replied neither yes nor no. (u)

On December 4, 1945, four incoming calls were reported between 9:50 A.M. and 6:45 P.M.; however, none of these were answered, indicating that nobody was home in the ELSON apartment during that period of time. (u)

On December 5, 1945 at 9:20 A.M., an incoming call from a person known as LOUISE was reported. LOUISE spoke to RAY and asked if she had "saved tonight for her". RAY replied that she had and said that she would call her later in the day regarding the time and place, and added that she was rushing now, apparently to work. At 9:43 A.M., a person known as LEO SMITH'S (phonetic) mother spoke to JOSEPH ELSON. She asked for RAY and JOE told her that RAY could be reached at Miberry-hill 4-6640. It was determined from Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, that this telephone number is that of the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, 205 East 42nd Street. At 10:20 A.M., a woman known as PAT RAGAN spoke to JOE. She stated that she was surprised to learn that RAY is working this week in the "Federation". She asked JOE if he had a heating pad, stating that RUTH had fallen down the subway stairs and injured her back. It appeared from this conversation that RAY was working at the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES only during this week. Five incoming calls were reported between 10:25 A.M. and 4:58 P.M., none of which were answered. At 5:00 P.M. there was an outgoing call from JOE to RAY. RAY stated that she would have dinner with LOUISE and then might go up to BILLIE'S and that she would be home about 10:30 P.M. RAY gave JOE LOUISE'S telephone number as TR. 7-1574 and BILLIE'S number as SU. 7-7067. JOE stated that he would have dinner with FRANK. Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that Trafalgar 7-1574 is listed to Mrs. JAMES E. HURLEY, 17 West 70th Street, New York City, and that SUSQUEHANNA 7-7067 is listed to HERMAN P. STALDER, 341 West 84th Street and that this is a rooming house. (u)

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At 5:07 P.M. on this same date, the person known as FRANK spoke to JOE. FRANK stated that he would be right down and they agreed to have dinner together. The FRANK mentioned in this conversation is be- (u)

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lieved to be FRANK GEORGE DUTTO, 3040 Cruger Avenue, Bronx, New York, concerning whom information is set forth in the previous report. At 5:10 P.M., a person known as SYLVIA telephoned JOE. JOE stated that he is attending classes at the ART STUDENTS' LEAGUE and mentions during the conversation FRANK DUTTO. SYLVIA inquires of JOE whether he is going to the party, to which he states that he is not sure. He gives SYLVIA the telephone number where RAY can be reached and SYLVIA states that she will call RAY at that number. (u)

On December 6, 1945 at 2:36 A.M., a person believed to be LENA DUTTO, wife of FRANK DUTTO, called the ELSONS. A short conversation took place in which LENA stated that FRANK had reached home all right and FRANK followed on the telephone stating that he had been delayed because of subway trouble. At 5:32 P.M. RAY called JOE, stating that she was in the office, will stop at BETTY'S for a few minutes, and will be home about 7:00 P.M. At 8:00 P.M., an incoming call from JEAN to JOE was reported. JOE advised that RAY was working at the "Federation" this week. A general conversation between JEAN and RAY followed, during which JEAN stated that she likes her job but that her love life is depleted. RAY states that the "DICKSON woman" is back, that JOE is going to school and is studying art. JEAN states that she is going to see BILLIE soon. JEAN and RAY agree to get together on December 13th at RAY'S place for dinner. (u)

On December 7, 1945 at 7:05 P.M., LENA, believed to be LENA DUTTO, telephoned and asked for RAY. JOE stated that RAY was out to dinner with some girls from the place where she used to work and that he, too, is going out to dinner soon. At 7:15 P.M., JOE telephoned a person known as MURRAY, later identified as MURRAY KANE, regarding dinner that evening. JOE was invited to MURRAY'S for dinner and after dinner they agree to go to the JEFFERSON SCHOOL, where there would be a lecture on Engels. It is noted that the JEFFERSON SCHOOL is located at the corner of 16th Street and 6th Avenue. At 9:10 P.M., an incoming call was reported, however, this call was not answered. At 10:25 P.M., RAY telephoned JOE, stating that she had just arrived home and that her mother sent her a coat. JOE asked RAY to come up to the KANES and bring the coat with her, to which she agreed. (u)

On December 8, 1945 at 10:22 A.M., RAY telephoned MURRAY KANE and inquired concerning JOE'S coat, which JOE had left in MURRAY'S apartment. At 12:10 P.M., a person known as BILLIE HARDY spoke to JOE and RAY. JOE stated that they had just returned from the Washington Market. RAY then spoke to BILLIE and stated that SHANNER (phonetic) and DOOTLES (phonetic) were coming over for dinner that evening. BILLIE invited JOE and RAY for brunch the following day on December 9th and asked that they come at about 11:30 A.M. RAY invited BILLIE and ELAINE over for the evening of December 8th, but BILLIE was not certain whether or not (u)

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they could come. At 3:10 P.M., an incoming call to RAY was reported during which RAY stated that she would be home that evening. At 4:30 P.M., a person known as JERRY spoke to RAY. JERRY stated that he will begin employment at the NATIONAL JEWISH WELFARE BOARD on December the 10th. JERRY indicated that he resides in the Bronx and had received a package from "Mommy". RAY stated that she also had received a package from "Mommy". RAY inquired if LILLIAN (phonetic) was with JERRY and JERRY stated that she was home. At 4:50 P.M., a person known as BERT telephoned RAY. BERT stated that he had been just discharged from the Army and is going out with ROZ (phonetic). RAY stated that SHANNIE, FRANK, LENA and LOUISE are having dinner at RAY'S that evening, and that JOE is going to school at the ART STUDENTS' LEAGUE. BERT stated that he would visit the ELSONS next week and plans to take a trip around the country and to Cuba and will enter school next fall. At 5:20 P.M. an incoming call to a person known as ENOCH (phonetic) was reported. This call was apparently from a person known as MARY who stated she is leaving the office and will get something for the kids to eat when she gets home. At 6:15 P.M., an unidentified woman spoke to ENOCH (phonetic) advising that she is at RAY'S apartment and would have dinner there. ENOCH stated that she will go to RAY'S apartment later. (X)(u)

On December 9, 1945 at 10:42 A.M., JOSEPH ELSON telephoned Miss BILLIE HARDY. He stated that RAY is getting ready to leave and that they will be at BILLIE'S at about 11:30 A.M. This call was made in connection with the previous invitation to brunch by Miss HARDY. At 10:07 P.M., FRANK and LENA, believed to be FRANK and LENA DUTTO, telephoned RAY and JOE. A long social conversation took place. It appeared from the conversation that FRANK and JOE had had a long discussion concerning objectives, schools, and so forth and FRANK stated that he had arrived home all right. LENA then spoke to RAY and invited the ELSONS to visit them on December 15th for supper. LENA added that the ELSONS could stay with them that evening. RAY accepted this invitation. FRANK also spoke to RAY and advised that he would be at RAY'S home on Wednesday, December 12, 1945 at about 10:30 A.M. FRANK stated that he expects to file some applications for school and that he is also going with LENA to the office. FRANK asked RAY whether they were coming over on December the 15th, and upon receiving an affirmative reply, FRANK stated that perhaps they would be able to go to JERRY'S (phonetic) or have him come over. (X)(u)

On December 10, 1945 at 9:55 A. M. RAY attempted to call ACademy 2-2838. A man answered the telephone and RAY asked for SHANNIE (phonetic). The man advised that there was no one there by that name. Confidential Informant [] advised that ACademy 2-2838 is listed to LESTER USSING, 504 West 110th Street, New York City. (X)(u)

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At 9:57 A.M. on this same date, RAY again made an outgoing call, at which time she spoke to SHANNIE (phonetic). RAY stated that she would see her about 12:00 Noon on this date. At 3:42 P.M., RAY telephoned a person known as SMITH. RAY asked for LEO, who was not home, but instead talked to LISA (phonetic) regarding a Far Rockaway house for the summer. RAY stated that their plans for the future were uncertain and that they may go to California. LISA said they would postpone a decision regarding the summer home for two months until RAY and JOE made up their minds. RAY stated that within a month she would know whether or not they wanted the house. She added that she is not working steadily and that she saw SHANNIE this morning and that she is sitting for a portrait. (X)(u)

At 4:10 P.M., RAY telephoned the COLUMBIA PRESS and asked for LOUISE SCHATZ, who was not in. RAY left a message that she had called. At 4:25 P.M., a person known as LOUISE telephoned RAY. They discussed various problems and mentioned a roommate, STELLA, who is moving out of LOUISE'S apartment. LOUISE stated she was going home in two weeks but would see RAY before she goes. RAY stated that she is sitting for a portrait for SHANNIE (phonetic). At 4:37 P.M., JOE telephoned RAY. He stated he was not going to school that evening but would be right home and they would have dinner at home. At 8:30 P.M., RAY telephoned Miss BILLIE HARDY and said that JOE had come home "grippy" so they had decided to stay home. RAY wanted to be remembered to JAMES, OGGIE, DIXIE, and DUNNIE (phonetic). At 9:17 P.M. a person known as ESTHER telephoned RAY. They talked about general matters and then ESTHER asked RAY and JOE to come for dinner on December 11th. RAY stated they could not accept the invitation because they were going to dinner on that date to the home of SYLVIA and HAL in Mount Vernon. They agreed on dinner for December 19th and that JOE and RAY would arrive about 6:00 P.M. on that day. ESTHER complained about the work she was doing, which involved addressing 1,000 pieces of mail. RAY states that CHUCK saw JOE at the League and that CHUCK is writing the "Artists' Credo" for publication in a book being published by a Jewish cultural organization on 2nd Avenue. The book will be translated into Hebrew and ESTHER will help with the translation. (X)(u)

HAROLD WINSTON, Credit Manager of the ALBERT ASHFORTH COMPANY, 12 East 44th Street, New York City, advised that they formerly had the management of the apartment house at 161 West 16th Street, New York City. Their credit records reflected that RAY and JOSEPH ELSON moved into apartment 3A at that address on February 1, 1943. RAY gave her employment

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as with the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES at 1123 Broadway and her position as secretary. The credit records here further reflected that she had apparently begun this employment about January 1, 1943. They paid a rent of \$55.00 per month for apartment 3A, which is a two room apartment.

In the referenced report on page thirty-one it will be noted that RAY ELSON had given the telephone number of a mutual friend as TRafalgar 7-1574 and that this telephone is listed to Mrs. JAMES E. HURLEY, 17 West 70th Street. It will also be noted that on December 5, 1945 RAY went to that address.

Mrs. D. E. PASQUAL, wife of the superintendent at 17 West 70th Street, New York City, advised that on November 5, 1945 one Mrs. JAMES E. HURLEY had moved to that address. Her husband was believed to be a Major in the United States Army and she was believed to be employed by the United States Employment Service. She formerly resided in lower Manhattan. A description was as follows:

Age:	40 years
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	130 lbs.
Hair:	Dark Brown
Complexion:	Medium
Build:	Tall, thin

It was further determined that residing with Mrs. HURLEY at this address is LOUISE H. SCHATZ, who was believed to be employed in one of the universities located in New York City. At this address these people pay a rent of \$95.00 per month. They occupy an apartment located on the second floor rear and have a lease until September 30, 1946. The files of this office reflect information concerning one JOSEPHINE LOUISE SCHATZ, with alias, Louise H. Schatz. She was born March 8, 1918 in Cincinnati, Ohio and graduated from Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, New York in June of 1940 with an A.B. degree. She formerly resided in Apartment 3I at 161 West 16th Street. It will be recalled that RAY ELSON presently resides in apartment 3A at this same address. SCHATZ is employed at the COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY PRESS, 116th Street and Broadway, New York City. SCHATZ attended the YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE, National Training School in the summer of 1938. She has been connected with the New York State Headquarters of the YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE and in January, 1945 she was the branch organizer in the COMMUNIST PARTY, District #2. In February of 1944 she was chairman of the 10th A.D. Club in the COMMUNIST PARTY, a branch which was later dissolved. She then became Educational

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Director of the Mellin-Douglas Branch. In May of 1944 she was Educational Director of the latter club. On October 27, 1943 she had a meeting of the branch Executive Board of the 10th A.D. Club in her home at 161 West 16th Street. Also, at an Executive Meeting of the 10th A.D. Branch of the COMMUNIST PARTY held on February 28, 1944, SCHATZ, who was chairman, was present and gave a report on the County Committee meeting, which she attended and which had been conducted by BEN DAVIS, JR., the Communist member of the New York City Council and chairman of the County Committee. Her description is as follows:

Name:	JOSEPHINE LOUISE SCHATZ
Age:	27 years
Born:	March 8, 1918
Height:	5' 7"
Weight:	140 lbs.
Hair:	Light brown
Eyes:	Blue
Complexion:	Fair
Build:	Plump

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, 32nd Street and 7th Avenue, New York City, were checked for information concerning Mrs. JAMES E. HURLEY with negative results.

The indices of the New York Office were checked for information concerning Mrs. JAMES E. HURLEY with negative results.

As reported by Confidential Informant NYT 342, whose identity is known to the Bureau, additional contacts of the ELSONS are MURRAY and JOSEPHINE KANE, who reside in the same apartment building as that of the ELSONS. The records of the New York Field Division reflect that JOSEPHINE KANE in August of 1944 was a registered member of the Greenwich Village Club, 1st and 2nd A.D. Section of the COMMUNIST PARTY, Manhattan, New York. Her address was given as 161 West 16th Street. She was a member of the AMERICAN LABOR PARTY and a stenographer by profession. She has COMMUNIST PARTY Book #5693. (u)

The records of the New York Field Division further reflect that the KANES are associates of BARNEY, LEON and LUCY JOSEPHSON, who also reside at 161 West 16th Street. Information concerning the JOSEPHSONS is set forth in referenced report. On one occasion JOSEPHINE KANE was caught by the apartment management distributing COMMUNIST PARTY literature and was caught placing this literature under the various apartment doors in the building. This incident occurred in 1941.

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The records of Local Selective Service Board #17, 45 Astor Place, New York City, reflect that MURRAY KANE was born October 12, 1904 in London, England and that his wife's name is JOSEPHINE H. KANE. MURRAY KANE is by profession a public accountant and auditor, who was self-employed in May of 1942. The records of this local Board reflect that in January of 1943 MURRAY obtained employment with the GENERAL INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, Elizabeth, New Jersey, at a salary of \$50.00 per week. The Selective Service questionnaire reflected that MURRAY KANE also had been known by the name of MORRIS COHEN and that he attended City College for four years studying accounting. In July, 1942 he was self-employed with offices in suite #510 at 305 Broadway, New York City. MURRAY and JOSEPHINE were married in Greenwich, Connecticut on November 2, 1932. JOSEPHINE KANE'S age was given as 36 years in July, 1942.

On November 25, 1945, as set forth in referenced report, RAY ELSON and her husband spent the evening at 317 West 84th Street, New York City. G. HAY, Postmaster attached to Station "W", 131 West 83rd Street, New York City, advised that the following persons resided at the above address:

Mrs. E. MARCU
Doctor and Mrs. ALBERT BORGES
Miss CAROL KNOFF
SIMON A. HALPERN
AL GORFINE

It is believed that the ELSONS' contacts at 317 West 84th Street are Mr. and Mrs. SIMON A. HALPERN. It is noted that HALPERN is a Vice President of the L. H. HARTMAN COMPANY, INC., 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City, where JOSEPH ELSON was employed for about ten years before entering the United States Army in January, 1943. Information concerning the HARTMAN COMPANY is set forth in a previous report. *QED*

According to the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City, SIMON HALPERN was born in Minsk, Russia December 31, 1896 and entered the United States October 12, 1904. He was naturalized on November 9, 1925 in the Supreme Court, Bronx County, New York.] u

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Re: HARRY DEXTER WHITE

The following information was obtained as a result of physical surveillances conducted while the above captioned individual was in New York City and is being reported by Special Agent William J. Rowe.

Special Agents Joseph F. McCorry and W. Rulon Faxman boarded the Pennsylvania Railroad train from Washington, D.C. at Newark, New Jersey at 11:35 p.m., December 5, 1945. They joined the surveillance of Agents Golden and Norris on WHITE and arrived at New York City at 10:05 a.m. at which time Agent Golden and Norris discontinued the surveillance.

WHITE was observed by Agents McCorry and Faxman to leave the train and proceeded to the Hotel Governor Clinton, where he registered and went to Room 1115. Surveillance on WHITE was discontinued at 1:15 a.m.

At 8 a.m., December 6, 1945, surveillance was instituted on WHITE at the Governor Clinton Hotel. At 9:20 a.m., WHITE entered the lobby of the hotel and proceeded to the automat restaurant located in the Macy Building at 34th Street and 7th Avenue, where he had breakfast, after which he spent the next half hour shopping in the Macy Store.

At approximately 10 o'clock, WHITE left the Macy Department Store and proceeded by taxicab to the French Building, 610 Fifth Avenue. He went to the third floor of this building, and from his actions while inspecting the building directory, it was believed by the surveilling Agents that he proceeded to the office of the United Nations Information Office, located on the third floor.

WHITE emerged from the French Building at 12:45 p.m., and spent the next hour shopping, after which he returned to the Hotel Governor Clinton at 1:35 p.m.

At 4 p.m., WHITE returned to the lobby of the hotel, and after checking out, placed his brief case in the hotel check room and spent the next 45 minutes in the hotel lobby. In view of the fact that the actions of WHITE seemed to indicate that he was surveillance conscious, surveillance was dropped by the Agents at this time. Agents Byrne, McCarthy and O'Brien continued to keep the hotel check room, which contained WHITE's brief case, under surveillance.

WHITE was observed to enter the hotel lobby at approximately

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6:30 p.m. by Special Agents Paxman and McCorry, whereupon he went directly to the check room and obtained his brief case, after which he immediately left the hotel. Surveilling Agents observed WHITE to enter a waiting automobile which was headed north. This automobile was a 1940 Chrysler Sedan, grey in color, and apparently well-kept. It carried 1945 New Jersey License Plates E/J 20 H. Due to traffic congestion, the surveillance of this automobile was discontinued.

Later investigation reflects that the license plates mentioned above were issued to a Dr. ABRAHAM WOLFSON, 51 Berkeley Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

Information reflects that the Newark Field Division had WHITE under surveillance during the day of December 7, 1945, and that WHITE had been placed on a train at that point from Washington, D. C.

It is noted that the newspaper column entitled: "A Long Chat" written by PETER EDSON which appeared in the NEW YORK WORLD TELEGRAM on December 5, 1945, contained a reference to HARRY WHITE. In this article EDSON is referring to the long negotiations being carried on between the United States and Great Britain relative to arrangements being made for Great Britain being able to promote a large loan from the United States. EDSON refers to WHITE as being one of the top-level technical experts involved in these negotiations, second only in importance to the top "Big Four," which he describes as composed of Assistant Secretary of State Will Clayton; Secretary of the Treasury Fred Vincent; British Ambassador Halifax; and British economist Lord Keynes. In mentioning the top-level technical experts, EDSON refers to them as being Assistant Treasury Secretary HARRY WHITE who experted Bretton Woods and EMILIO G. COIADO, Clayton's assistant in the State Department, as being the American representative.

Reference is made to the Washington Field Office request for information regarding the New York City telephone number ACademy 2-9694 since it had been ascertained that WHITE had received a call from RUTH WHITE from this number. Investigation reflects that the telephone number ACademy 2-9694 is an unlisted telephone number subscribed to by BARNARD COLLEGE, New York City. It was ascertained that RUTH TERRY WHITE was presently a student at Barnard College. The records at the College reflected that she is the daughter of HARRY D. WHITE, 6810 Fairfax Road, Bethesda, Maryland.

Reference is also made to the comment made by WHITE while in New York regarding New York City telephone number Circle 6-9184. The Manhattan telephone directory for New York City reflects that this telephone number was formerly subscribed to by J. A. LIVINGSTON, 180 West 58th Street, New York City, and investigation reflects that this number has recently been disconnected.

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A check of the New York indices failed to reveal any information concerning either WHITE or LIVINGSTON.

Investigation is currently being conducted to ascertain further information concerning WHITE's contacts while in New York City with Dr. ABRAHAM WOLFSON and Dr. MARTIN WANGH, who the Washington Field Office advised through information received from a confidential source WHITE contacted during his visit to New York City. (X/21)

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LAUCHLIN CURRIE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE from December 1st through December 11th, 1945:

PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE

Physical surveillance was instituted November 26, 1945, and is continuing.

November 26, 1945

Surveilling agents: MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE
WALTER H. NELSON
WILLIAM J. ROWE
HOWARD C. KLEBE
JOSEPH C. WALSH

At 9:05 A.M. LAUCHLIN CURRIE left his residence, 61 East 86th Street, and proceeded via Lexington Avenue subway to his office, the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, located at 19 Rector Street.

At 12:35 P.M. CURRIE left his office at 19 Rector Street with two unidentified men. They proceeded to a local restaurant named Emile Restaurant, 22 Trinity Place. The two unidentified men are described as follows:

Number 1 - Age	35 to 40 years
Height	5'8"
Weight	135 lbs.
Hair	Black, straight, parted on left side
Complexion	Fair
Features	Sharp
Clothes	Brown Homburg hat, Blue business suit, Blue overcoat, Brown shoes, Heavy horn rimmed glasses and could be considered well dressed.

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Number 2 - Age	40 to 45 years
Height	5'10"
Weight	175 lbs.
Complexion	Ruddy
Hair	Gray-brown
Clothes	Brown overcoat, Brown suit, Tan (gold colored) snap brimmed felt hat, Brown shoes.

At 1:50 P.M. CURRIE and the same two unidentified men left the restaurant; proceeded to 19 Rector Street, the offices of LAUCHLIN CURRIE, where all entered.

At 3:00 P.M. CURRIE and an unidentified man left 19 Rector Street and proceeded on foot to 80 Broadway, where they entered.

At 5:35 P.M. CURRIE and the same unidentified man left 80 Broadway and walked to 19 Rector Street where they entered at 5:48 P.M.

CURRIE left 19 Rector Street and proceeded via Lexington Avenue subway to 86 Street from where he walked to and entered his residence, 61 East 86th Street.

At 11:10 P.M. CURRIE with a brown cocker spaniel left 61 East 86th Street; walked a short distance, returned and reentered 61 East 86th Street. No further activity.

November 27, 1945

Surveilling agents: RUFUS H. POWELL
P. J. CARROLL
HOWARD C. KIEBE
JOSEPH C. WALSH

At 9:13 A.M. CURRIE left his residence, 61 East 86th Street, and proceeded via Lexington Avenue subway to the Wall Street stop from whence he walked to 19 Rector Street, his office, and proceeded to his office located on the second floor of this building.

At 11:25 A.M. CURRIE left 19 Rector Street and walked to 80 Broadway where he entered and took an express elevator up.

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At 2:20 P.M. CURRIE left 80 Broadway and returned to 19 Rector Street.

At 5:15 P.M. CURRIE left 19 Rector Street; walked to the Wall Street station of the IRT subway and proceeded to the 86th Street station from whence he walked to and entered his home at 61 East 86th Street.

At 10:25 P.M. CURRIE left 61 East 86th Street with his dog; walked east on 86th Street a short distance and returned and reentered 61 East 86th Street. No further activity.

November 28, 1945

Surveilling agents: RUFUS H. POWELL
P. J. CARROLL
JOSEPH C. WALSH
HOWARD C. KIEBE

At 6:20 P.M. CURRIE left his residence, 61 East 86th Street, accompanied by an unidentified woman and man. They proceeded west to 86th Street where they entered a taxicab. They were driven in the taxicab to 41 Claremont Avenue where all three entered.

At 10:05 P.M. CURRIE, the same unidentified woman and man left 41 Claremont Avenue and proceeded via Fifth Avenue bus to 85th Street from whence they walked to and entered 61 East 86th Street. No further activity.

The unidentified woman is described as follows:

Age	About 40 years
Height	5'4" to 5'5"
Weight	130 lbs. to 140 lbs.
Remarks	Carried a white oilsilk umbrella.

This woman is believed to be Mrs. L. CURRIE.

The unidentified man is described as follows:

Age-	About 65 to 70 years
Height	5'10"
Weight	185 lbs. to 200 lbs.
Hair	Heavy shock of white hair in back
Clothes	Wore gray snap brimmed hat
Remarks	Carried a large umbrella

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November 29, 1945

Surveilling agents: RUFUS H. POWELL
P. J. CARROLL
HOWARD C. KIEBE
JOSEPH C. WALSH

At 9:03 A.M. CURRIE left his residence, 61 East 86th Street, and proceeded to the 86th Street station of the IRT subway to Wall Street from whence he walked to his offices at 19 Rector Street and entered.

At 12:25 P.M. CURRIE left 19 Rector Street; walked to and entered 80 Broad Street where he took an express elevator up.

At 12:40 P.M. CURRIE and two unidentified men left 80 Broad Street; walked to the India House (restaurant) located at Hanover Square where all three had dinner.

At 2:35 P.M. CURRIE and the unidentified men left the India House; walked back to 80 Broad Street where the two unidentified men left and CURRIE proceeded to 19 Rector Street where he entered. The unidentified men on entering 80 Broad Street took an elevator up to the 29th floor and entered the offices of HAIGHT, GRIFFIN, DENING AND GARDNER. While riding up in the elevator one of the unidentified men spoke to another passenger and asked him how things were in Bronxville. The unidentified man replied that he did not live in Bronxville but Scarsdale.

The unidentified men are described as follows:

Number 1 - Age	55 years
Height	5'5"
Weight	140 lbs.
Complexion	Lined and wrinkled
Peculiarities	Mustache, Wears rimless glasses.
Clothes	Tan raincoat, Brown snapbrim hat, Gray suit, Black shoes.
Hair	Gray
Residence	Scarsdale

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Number 2 - Age	65 years
Height	6'1"
Weight	200 lbs.
Hair	Steel gray
Build	Slightly stooped
Peculiarities	Heavy gray mustache, Rather large nose, Celluloid rimmed glasses
Clothes	Tan raincoat, Gray felt snap brim hat, Gray suit, Black shoes

At 6:05 P.M. CURRIE left 19 Rector Street; walked to the Wall Street station of the IRT subway and proceeded to the 86th Street station from whence he walked^{to} and entered 61 East 86th Street.

At 11:05 P.M. CURRIE left 61 East 86th Street with his dog; walked a couple of blocks, returned and reentered 61 East 86th Street.

November 30, 1945

Surveilling agents: GORDON R. CARFENTER
P. J. CARROLL

At 9:00 A.M. CURRIE left his residence, 61 East 86th Street, carrying a light tan overnight bag; proceeded west to Madison Avenue where he waited approximately three minutes and then continued west to Fifth Avenue and crossed to the west side of the street and proceeded south to 84th Street to a bus stop. CURRIE entered a Fifth Avenue bus and proceeded to 59th Street where he left the bus and then walked to 781 Fifth Avenue where he entered at 9:10 A.M.

At 10:00 A.M. CURRIE left 781 Fifth Avenue; entered a taxicab and proceeded to 45th Street and Fifth Avenue. On leaving the taxicab CURRIE walked up and down the block and appeared to be either checking the buildings for addresses or attempting to ascertain if he were under surveillance. Surveillance was discontinued at this point and resumed at Pennsylvania Station.

At 1:20 P.M. CURRIE entered the Pennsylvania Railroad Station where he boarded Pennsylvania Railroad train, the Executive, scheduled to leave Pennsylvania Station for Washington, D. C., at 1:30 P.M. and arrive at Washington, D. C., at 5:35 P.M. CURRIE boarded the train with an unidentified man, woman and small boy. The unidentified man is described as follows:

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Age	About 65 years
Height	5'11"
Weight	Approximately 190 lbs.
Build	Stooped shoulders
Clothes	Light tan raincoat, gray snap brim hat, carrying a cane

This man is believed to be the same unidentified man who was with CURRIE on November 29, 1945, and at that time proceeded to 80 Broad Street where he entered the offices of HAIGHT, GRIFFIN, DENING AND GARDNER.

The unidentified woman is described as follows:

Age	About 45 years
Hair	Black streaked with gray, combed straight back
Weight	135 to 140 lbs.
Clothes	Black dress, dark blue coat, no hat.

This woman is believed to be Mrs. CURRIE.

The small boy is described as follows:

Age	About 10 years
Hair	Brown
Clothes	Wore brown pants, light tan coat.

This boy is believed to be CURRIE's son, RODERICK.

CURRIE and his three companions rode Pullman car #292 to Washington, D. C. Special Agent PHILIP J. CARROLL who continued the surveillance on to Washington, D. C., stated that CURRIE spent about half of his time during the trip with his companions in Pullman car #292 and the rest of the time was spent in Pullman car #291 reading.

At 8:10 P.M. the train arrived at Union Station, Washington, D. C., where CURRIE and his party left the train. Surveillance was continued at this point by agents of the Washington Field Office.

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December 3, 1945

Surveilling agents: PHILIP J. CARROLL
GORDON R. CARPENTER
CECIL M. FRANKLIN
HOWARD C. KIEBE

At 8:55 A.M. CURRIE left his residence, 61 East 86th Street, and proceeded via Lexington Avenue subway to his office at 19 Rector Street, New York City.

At 10:40 A.M. CURRIE left 19 Rector Street and proceeded via Lexington Avenue subway to Grand Central Station. CURRIE walked from the Grand Central Station to the FRED F. FRENCH BUILDING at 551 Fifth Avenue where he entered at 11:30 A.M.

At 12:15 P.M. CURRIE left 551 Fifth Avenue and entered a taxicab. It was ascertained that the taxicab proceeded to the Savoy-Plaza Hotel at Fifth Avenue and 58th Street where CURRIE left the cab and entered the hotel at the side entrance.

At 6:40 P.M. CURRIE entered his residence, 61 East 86th Street.

December 4, 1945

Surveilling agents: GORDON R. CARPENTER
RUFUS H. POWELL
CECIL M. FRANKLIN
HOWARD C. KIEBE

At 9:05 A.M. CURRIE left his residence, 61 East 86th Street, and proceeded via Lexington Avenue subway to his office at 19 Rector Street where he entered.

At 11:30 A.M. CURRIE was observed in his office on the second floor, 19 Rector Street.

At 12:35 P.M. CURRIE left 19 Rector Street and proceeded on foot to the India House (restaurant), Hanover Square.

At 2:15 P.M. CURRIE and an unidentified man left India House, Hanover Square, crossed the street and entered a black limousine with a chauffeur,

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the car bearing New York license plate, 1945, #N 9498. It was ascertained that this license plate was issued to MERRITT, CHAPMAN AND SCOTT CORPORATION, 17 Battery Place, New York City. The unidentified man is described as follows:

Age	About 60 years
Height	6'
Weight	185 lbs.
Hair	Steel gray
Peculiarities	Lined face, large nose, mustache.
Clothes	Wore gray snap brim hat, gray topcoat.

It is believed that this is the same man who was with CURRIE on November 29th and also took the trip with CURRIE to Washington, D. C., on November 30th.

Due to general traffic conditions and congestion at this point, surveillance was discontinued. No further activity.

December 5, 1945

Surveilling agents: GORDON R. CARPENTER
CECIL M. FRANKLIN
HOWARD C. KLEBE

At 9:00 A.M. CURRIE left his residence, 61 East 86th Street, carrying a small light tan overnight bag and proceeded via IRT subway to his office at 19 Rector Street where he entered. CURRIE at intervals between 9:30 A.M. and noon was observed working at his desk on the second floor of this building.

At 1:30 P.M. CURRIE left 19 Rector Street accompanied by two unidentified men and proceeded by foot to LAWLERS CAFE AND BAR at 95 Liberty Street where all three had lunch.

At 2:30 P.M. CURRIE and the same two unidentified men left LAWLERS CAFE AND BAR and returned to 19 Rector Street where all entered.

At 5:00 P.M. CURRIE was observed working in his office.

At 5:01 P.M. CURRIE left his office at 19 Rector Street and proceeded to the BMT subway and rode to Pennsylvania Station.

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At 5:20 P.M. CURRIE left the subway train at Pennsylvania Station; walked rapidly and ran periodically through the underground passes to the Pennsylvania Station where he met a young man. Together they boarded the second section of train #177 which departed at 5:35 P.M. for Washington, D.C. Surveillance was continued on to Washington, D. C., by Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE. CURRIE and the unidentified man occupied a seat in the first coach and bought one-way tickets to Washington, D. C., CURRIE having purchased his ticket after boarding the train. The unidentified man is described as follows:

Age	30 to 34 years
Height	5'10"
Weight	160 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Dark brown, parted on right side
Eyes	Brown
Clothes	Wore blue-gray Homburg hat, brown topcoat, rimless glasses, and carried a British tan suitcase, 8 x 15 x 24.

At 6:35 P.M. CURRIE and the unidentified man left their seat and proceeded towards the rear of the train to the diner where they had dinner and returned to their seat. Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE reports as follows concerning the trip: During most of the trip CURRIE's conversation was inaudible. However, several times he was heard mentioning the name of CHIANG-KAI-SHEK. Also as the train neared Washington, D. C., the unidentified man accompanying CURRIE was heard to remark, "Where do you put up down here?" To which CURRIE replied, "Oh, I stay with friends."

At 10:01 P.M. CURRIE and the unidentified man left the train at Union Station, Washington, D. C., and walked to the taxicab entrance of the station at which time surveillance was taken over by Special Agents of the Washington Field Office.

December 6, 1945

Surveilling agents: J. F. MCCORRY
HOWARD C. KIEBE

At 9:00 P.M. CURRIE arrived at Pennsylvania Station, New York City, on the Executive and proceeded upstairs to a telephone booth where he placed calls to:

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Volunteer 5-2800 which is listed to the Sherry-Netherland Hotel, and Eldorado 5-3000 which is listed to the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

At 9:14 P.M. CURRIE left Pennsylvania Station via Seventh Avenue exit; boarded a Fifth Avenue bus and rode to 85th Street and Fifth Avenue from whence he proceeded to his residence, 61 East 86th Street, where he entered at 9:31 P.M. No further activity.

December 7, 1945

Surveilling agent: WILLIAM J. ROSE

At 10:00 A.M. CURRIE boarded a North Eastern Airlines plane at LaGuardia Airfield on a flight to Moncton, New Brunswick, scheduled to arrive at 3:40 P.M. the same day.

The Boston Field Division was requested to check at Boston to ascertain if CURRIE was continuing on to Moncton.

On December 9, 1945, the Boston Field Office advised that LAUCHLIN CURRIE left Bangor, Maine, at 5:05 P.M. en route to New York by plane having purchased a through trip ticket from Moncton, New Brunswick, to New York, and that on the 7th he received a telegram from New York addressed to himself from ANNISON FORTRADE, New York, stating, "Please call us immediately upon arrival. Did you talk with Milliken re petroleum coke." The Boston Field Office advised the the plane left Boston at 7:20 P.M. on flight scheduled to arrive in New York at 8:20 P.M.

December 10, 1945

Surveilling agents: FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN
G. P. BYRNE
JOHN ATKINSON

At 8:20 P.M. CURRIE and a woman believed to be his wife left his residence at 61 East 86th Street and proceeded via Fifth Avenue bus to 55th Street from whence they walked to and entered the Iridium Room of the St. Regis Hotel on 55th Street and Fifth Avenue at 8:35 P.M.

At 12:13 A.M. December 11, 1945, CURRIE accompanied by a woman believed to be his wife, three unidentified men and two unidentified women.

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left the St. Regis Hotel. They conversed on the corner of 55th Street and Fifth Avenue until approximately 12:17 A.M. CURRIE and his wife and an unidentified man left the group. Another unidentified man and woman walked across the street and entered the Gotham Hotel and took an elevator. This man and woman are believed to be Mr. and Mrs. ROSENSTEIN who presently reside at the Gotham Hotel. A second couple walked down Fifth Avenue to 53rd Street and took the Eighth Avenue Independent subway to 34th Street where they changed to the BMT Coney Island local. They proceeded on this local to Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, from whence they proceeded on foot to 642 East 19th Street. This is a private residence and they arrived at 1:12 A.M. The man is described as follows:

Age	About 50 to 55 years
Height	5'10" or 5' 11"
Weight	170 lbs.
Build	Slender
Complexion	Light
Hair	Graying
Appearance	Smooth face, rather thin lips, Slavic type, tall, erect stature, takes small steps.
Clothes	Black Homburg hat, oxford gray coat with velvet collar.

The woman is described as follows:

Age	42 years
Height	5'8"
Weight	140 lbs.
Build	Medium
Complexion	Light
Hair	Graying
Clothes	Bright purple cloth on hat, Dark blue or black coat.
Appearance	Looks like a school teacher.

This couple is believed to be Mr. and Mrs. C. C. JOHNSON. Mr. JOHNSON is an employee of the CHEMICAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY with which CURRIE's firm, the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, does business. No further activity.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ INFORMANT NYT-345 (u)

Authorization was obtained to use this Informant on November 29, 1945. Informant subsequently began contacting this office on December 4, 1945. (u)

On December 5, 1945, Informant contacted this office and advised that BETTY GRAHAM had attempted to get in touch with Mr. CURRIE without results and was advised by Mrs. CURRIE that Mr. CURRIE was due to go to Washington but might be home tonight at about eight o'clock. BETTY requested that Mrs. CURRIE ask Mr. CURRIE to call her at the home of a Chinese friend, telephone number Chelsea 3-5119. BETTY is presently preparing to write an article for a Senator concerning "Financial aspects of our mission to China." Chelsea 3-5119 is listed to HONG CHEW, 298 West 11th Street, New York City. (u)

At about 8:00 P.M. Dr. SULLIVAN attempted to contact Mr. CURRIE with negative results. (u)

On December 6, 1945, the Informant advised that Mrs. CURRIE was sending a telegram to MORGAN CURRIE, Sanford Prep School, Hockessin, Delaware. (u)

On December 7, 1945, Informant advised that Mrs. CURRIE contacted North Eastern Airlines about a flight to Moncton, New Brunswick, and that she was advised that there was a scheduled flight at 10:00 A.M. Informant further advised that Mrs. CURRIE contacted Mrs. WILER or WYLER and that Mrs. WILER advised that Mr. C. C. JOHNSON of the CHEMICAL BANK would like to have Mr. and Mrs. CURRIE and Mr. and Mrs. ROSENSTEIN for dinner on Monday night at 8:15 P.M. at the Iridium Room of the St. Regis. (u)

On December 8, 1945, the Informant advised that Elmira, New York, College inquired concerning Mr. CURRIE and was advised that Mr. CURRIE was in Canada but would return on Monday and could be reached at his office. (u)

On December 9, 1945, the Informant advised that CURRIE talked to MATTIE and that CURRIE advised him that he had gotten back this evening. Informant advised that during the course of the conversation CURRIE said, "I'm dying with curiosity to know if you met with the 'Doc' today." MATTIE said, "We are not going to see him until tomorrow." CURRIE said, "You didn't need all that briefing then." MATTIE advised CURRIE that he would see him tomorrow. (u)

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It was ascertained through investigation that the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY occupies offices numbers 223 and 224 at 19 Rector Street, and that the INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL TRADING COMPANY occupies office space in room 1902 in the same building. It was further ascertained that these companies are closely connected and that the only reason the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY is located on the second floor instead of the nineteenth floor is that at the time the company moved into the building there was no space available on the nineteenth floor, and that the only space available to them was on the second floor in rooms 223 and 224.

It was ascertained at 61 East 86th Street that LAUGHLIN CURRIE occupies apartment #34 which consists of seven rooms with his wife and one son and that they have a maid, JEFFRIES, who lives in.

Investigation is continuing to ascertain the identity of contacts made by CURRIE as provided by the physical surveillances and information furnished to this office by Confidential Informant NYT-345. & (u)

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Re: ALLAN R. ROSENBERG

The following information was obtained as a result of a physical surveillance maintained on the above-captioned individual during his stay in New York City. It is being reported by Special Agent William J. Rowe.

At 11 p.m. on December 9, 1945, surveillance was instituted at the Pennsylvania Railroad Station, 31st Street and 7th Avenue in preparation for the arrival of ROSENBERG in New York City. At 11:45 p.m., ROSENBERG, accompanied by WARREN R. SHARFMAN arrived at the Pennsylvania Station from Washington, D.C. Upon leaving the train, they walked to 33rd Street and 7th Avenue, where they entered a taxi cab and proceeded to 524 East 87th Street, New York City, where ROSENBERG was observed by Agents William J. Rowe and J. H. Doyle to enter that address. The surveilling Agents were unable to determine to which apartment in this building, he was destined. ROSENBERG entered 524 East 87th Street at approximately 12:05 a.m., and in view of the fact that no further activity was observed, the surveillance was discontinued at 2 a.m.

Special Agents H.R. Hawkins and P.V. Hagan continued with the other occupant of the taxi-cab (SHARFMAN), who proceeded to 530 East 90th Street, where he entered. Investigation at this address reflected that SHARFMAN's brother NELSON K. SHARFMAN was currently a resident of this apartment, residing in Apartment 1-K, and it is the belief of the surveilling Agents that SHARFMAN proceeded to this apartment. Since no further activity was observed at this point, the surveillance was discontinued at 2 a.m.

At 8 a.m., December 10, 1945, surveillance was instituted in the vicinity of 524 East 87th Street by Special Agents Doyle and Rowe, and at 9 a.m., SHARFMAN was observed to enter 524 East 87th Street. SHARFMAN and ROSENBERG emerged from 524 East 87th Street at 10:10 a.m. and walked to 86th Street and 2nd Avenue, where they entered a taxi-cab.

Surveillance of the cab was continued by Special Agents Hawkins, Hagan, Doyle and Rowe, and ROSENBERG and SHARFMAN were observed alighting from the cab at 595 Broadway, which building is occupied by the following firms: MICHIGAN DESK COMPANY, LEATHER FURNITURE COMPANY, INDUSTRIAL FURNITURE COMPANY, WEILAND METAL PRODUCTS COMPANY and J. R. BLUM, where they remained until approximately 1:15 p.m.

At 2:20 p.m., SHARFMAN and ROSENBERG were observed by Agents J.J. Danahy, J. H. Doyle, C.H. Fischer and Hagan to enter the Harvard Club located at 27 West 44th Street, at which time they inquired for LAX LOWENTHAL. It was further observed that LOWENTHAL was unable to be located.

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ROSENBERG and SHARFMAN were observed entering 11 Park Place at 3:25 p.m., where after checking the building directory under "B's", they proceeded to the third floor, which floor contains the offices of BOARDMAN, CLARKE COMPANY, book merchants. They were observed leaving 11 Park Place by Special Agents J. M. Collins, W.R. Paxman and J.F. McGorry and Frank Gallant, from which place they walked to 15 Park Row. After entering 15 Park Row, they proceeded to the 6th Floor. It was noted that Rooms 605 and 606 of this building were occupied by JESSIE L. ROSENBERG and PHILIP I. ROSENBERG.

ROSENBERG and SHARFMAN were observed leaving 15 Park Row at 6:45 p.m., after which they spent the next 45 minutes window-shopping in the Third Avenue area, and after traveling uptown via subway were observed entering the Palms Restaurant, 837 Second Avenue at 7:30 p.m.

Upon leaving this restaurant at 8:40 p.m., they were observed by the surveilling Agents to be accompanied by an unidentified man and woman and proceeded uptown via the bus to 84th Street where ROSENBERG and the unidentified couple alighted, from which point they walked to 524 East 87th Street, where all three entered.

SHARFMAN continued on the bus to 90th Street where he alighted and proceeded to 530 East 90th Street. Since no further activity was observed, the surveillance was discontinued at 12:40 a.m.

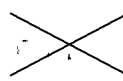
At 8 a.m., December 11, 1945, surveillance was reinstituted in the vicinity of 524 East 87th Street by Agents Doyle, Danahy, Hagan and Fischer. At 9 a.m., both ROSENBERG and SHARFMAN emerged from 524 East 87th Street and walked to 86th Street and traveled by bus to Lexington Avenue where they spent the next hour window-shopping.

At 10:30, they were observed to enter the subway and travel to Fulton Street where they alighted and walked to 15 Park Row where they again proceeded to the 6th floor. After spending half an hour in this building, they were observed returning to the street. They spent the next three hours visiting various furniture companies in the immediate vicinity of 37th and 38th Streets.

At 2 p.m., they traveled by taxi cab to Pennsylvania Station and boarded the train leaving at 2:55 p.m. for Washington, D.C. Special Agent J.J. Danahy continued the surveillance aboard the train for Washington.

Investigation reflects that the building at 524 East 87th Street is a two-family building occupied by Mrs. ALLAN TUPPER BROWN and LESTER M. LEVIN.

It was ascertained that MAX LOWENTHAL whom they endeavored to locate at the Harvard Club is probably MAX LOWENTHAL, attorney, whose residence



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is 467 Central Park West, New York City, New York.

The Indices of the New York Office were checked with negative results for information regarding Mrs. ALLAN TUPPER BROWN and BOARDMAN, CLARKE COMPANY. Further investigation is currently being conducted to ascertain information concerning other contacts made by ROSENBERG and SHARFMAN during their stay in New York.

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Re: MARY WOLFE PRICE

The following investigation concerning MARY WOLFE PRICE was conducted by Special Agent Robert F. X. O'Keefe:

* Confidential Informant NYT 344, whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that JAMES HIBBEN endeavored to contact MARY PRICE on December 10, 1945, at 7:25 p.m. HIBBEN stated that he was in New York City for a short period and hoped to get in touch with MARY PRICE. ENOCH PRICE, brother of MARY PRICE, in his conversation with HIBBEN, confirmed that MARY PRICE is presently residing in Greensboro, North Carolina, and expects to return to New York City about Christmas time. Her plans, however, are indefinite.

According to a teletype from the Charlotte Field Office dated December 11, 1945, it was set out that MARY PRICE arrived in Greensboro, North Carolina, in August, 1945, and is presently residing at 903 Courtland Street, Greensboro; that she is Secretary-Treasurer of the North Carolina Committee of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, with offices at 235 North Green Street, Greensboro, North Carolina. Her present activities consist in organizing and soliciting membership for the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. No information was available as to the approximate date upon which she will return to New York City. The Charlotte Office, however, is continuing investigation in order that the activities of MARY PRICE might be ascertained.

According to information received from NYT 344, BRANSON PRICE, 55 Barrow Street, is presently active in the New York Chapter of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, with headquarters in the Murray Hill Hotel, Park Avenue, New York City.

The identity of JAMES HIBBEN, referred to above, is not known, nor is his present New York residence available. In view of the fact, however, that he might be identical with JAMES HERBERT HIBBEN, the following information is being set forth:

A review of the matter entitled "JAMES HERBERT HIBBEN, Chief of the Chemical Division, United States Tariff Commission; INTERNAL SECURITY, HATCH ACT", Washington Field origin, more specifically, the report of Special Agent George R. Blair, dated October 15, 1941, at Washington D.C., the following information is obtained:

HIBBEN, as of the date of the report, was residing at 14 West Leland Avenue, Chevy Chase, Maryland. On July 17, 1939, he was made Chief of the Chemical Division of the United States Tariff Commission, and his duties were to keep a "feeler" on home production, foreign production, and imports in the chemical field in order to determine equitable tariff rates. As head of his Division, he had supervisory capacity over other employees and

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had access to all the records.

There were allegations set forth that HIBBEN was openly Communist in his sentiments and had expressed sympathy for Soviet Russia. It was also reported that his brother, PAXTON HIBBEN, had performed sociological work in Russia and was buried in the Kremlin. His sister-in-law, MRS. PAXTON HIBBEN, was a writer for the "New Yorker" magazine and, according to JAMES HIBBEN, was classified as a Trotskyist, which he defined as a Communist who advocated violence and terrorism. HIBBEN's brother THOMAS was associated with the National Youth Administration, and THOMAS HIBBEN's wife was alleged to have once incited Negroes to trouble in Montgomery, Alabama.

It was further alleged that JAMES HIBBEN had performed services for the Amtorg Trading Corporation, and that he was influential in securing men to fill technical positions in Russia. At one time in the year 1932, JAMES HIBBEN expressed the desire that he would like to travel to Soviet Russia for the purpose of presenting a true picture of Russia's industrial and chemical advancements.

According to WARREN WATSON, Representative, Manufacturing Chemists Society, 608 Woodward Building, Washington D.C., there were rumors prevalent that HIBBEN was pro-Communist in his sympathies. WATSON had also heard that when HIBBEN visited the defense plants, he asked for information which was outside the scope of his jurisdiction, and no one could explain why he made these demands. It was also thought that HIBBEN had attempted to procure files and reports from the Army-Navy Munitions Board, which files apparently were not necessary for the conduct of HIBBEN's business. WATSON further learned that HIBBEN had tried to obtain confidential data on explosives, which data was also apparently outside the scope of HIBBEN's jurisdiction in the Chemical Division.

According to Major W. F. STERLING, Room 6122, War Department Building, Washington D.C., HIBBEN was acquainted with the then Russian Ambassador OUMANSKY. Major STERLING expressed the opinion that HIBBEN would aid Russia all that he could, even to the extent of harming the United States. He recalled that there was a rule in the Chemical Division that no files containing schedules of production and sales were ever to leave the building, but stated that several times HIBBEN had taken files to his home. He also stated that HIBBEN was acquainted with a retired Russian Army officer, Captain M. N. EGOROFF.

A review of the New York indices reflects that MRS. PAXTON HIBBEN, 7 East 12 Street, was carried on a list of 1941 contacts of the League of American Writers. They also reflected that Captain PAXTON HIBBEN was a member of the Russian Reconstruction Farms, Inc.; a member of the League For Independent Democracy; a member of the Communist Friends of Soviet Russia; speaker for Russian relief organizations; Director of the League for Industrial

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Democracy; and was generally sympathetic to the Communist movement. All of the references to Captain FAXTON HIBBEN were dated during the years 1922, 1923, and 1924.

A review of the New York files reflects that M. N. EGOROFF, referred to above as the friend of JAMES HIBBEN, is probably identical with MSTISLOV NICHOLAS EGOROFF, who was born August 4, 1894, at Moscow, Russia, and is an engineer by profession. It is to be noted that he is not identical with EGEROV, concerning whom considerable investigation was conducted in the matter entitled "AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION; ESPIONAGE - R." M. N. EGOROFF became a naturalized United States citizen May 4, 1928, at Miami, Florida, and was employed by various Federal agencies, including the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, and the United States Housing Authority from 1938 to 1941. He was a civil engineer with the Quartermaster General's Office, War Department, Washington D.C. from January 29, 1941.

The following investigation was conducted during the period December 1 to December 8, 1945:

A physical surveillance during the pertinent period conducted by Agents of the New York Office failed to reflect that MILDRED PRICE, also known as MRS. HAROLD COY, contacted or was contacted by other subjects presently under investigation in this matter. A major portion of MILDRED PRICE's time was spent at her office as Executive Secretary of the China Aid Council, 1790 Broadway, or at her home, 420 West 118 Street, Apartment 33, New York City.

On December 8, 1945, at 9:45 a.m., MILDRED PRICE entered the building at 287 East Fourth Avenue, New York City, which building is known as the United Charities Building. She emerged therefrom at 4 p.m., accompanied by an unidentified woman. This unidentified person proceeded via the New York Central Railroad to White Plains, New York, and it was ascertained that she resided in a house directly opposite 156 Ralph Avenue, White Plains. Efforts are presently being made to identify this woman.

According to Confidential Informant NYT 344, MILDRED PRICE made plans to attend a meeting of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare on December 10, 1945, at 130 East 22 Street, New York City. Her sister, BRANSON PRICE, formerly employed by the Wage-Hour Administration, Regional Office, New York City, was apparently in charge of this meeting.

It was also ascertained from NYT 344 that HAROLD COY, husband of MILDRED PRICE, in a conversation with BRANSON PRICE, told her that he was acquainted with and had a personal meeting with H. P. MELNICO (ph), who is presently residing at the Taft Hotel, New York City. MELNICO had come to New York for the purpose of establishing a labor bureau similar to his Pacific Coast Labor Bureau, which carried on activities as negotiators for unions dur-

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ing labor difficulties. COY stated that about 22 years ago he had done arbitration work with MELNICO, and that he, MELNICO, was known as HARRY BRIDGES' brain trust.

It was further learned through NYT 344 that BRANSON PRICE had been at a meeting with MELNICO on December 8, 1945, at the Murray Hill Hotel.

Further investigation is being conducted to ascertain the present activities and contacts of MILDRED PRICE, in light of allegations made concerning her.

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Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (A) ARTHUR F. REDMOND on November 28th, 29th, December 3rd through 7th, 1945:

J. C. HEADLEN of the National City Bank, New York City, made available the bank's records in connection with the personal and business accounts of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN. BROTHMAN has an account at the 32nd Street office of the National City Bank, 1 Park Avenue, in the name of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES. This account was opened September 5, 1944 and is still an active account at the bank. The initial deposit consisted of \$1,270.00, made up of various checks. The bank's records indicated that the following were general partners in the firm of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, JULES KORCHIEN, GERHARD H. HOLLAN, OSCAR J. WAGO. There had been a fifth partner, but his name had been taken off the record. This was EMIL Z. DARISH. For a reference the partnership had offered the CORN EXCHANGE BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, Forest Hills Branch, wherein OSCAR WAGO of 6607 99th Street, Forest Hills, had an account.

The account of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES was examined from its opening deposit in 1944 through November 24, 1945. The average monthly balance was approximately \$1,000.00 each month until May 31, 1945, at which time there was deposited in this account a check in the amount of \$16,000.00. As of July 1, 1945, the account had a \$7,300.00 balance; August 1st, \$2,700.00 balance, and September 1st, \$4,500.00 balance. As of November 24th the account's balance was less than \$1,000, being approximately \$300.00. The deposit tickets covering the various deposits made in this account from its inception were examined. During the period under review, the company deposited at various times checks aggregating \$6,787.28. These checks had all been drawn on the CONTINENTAL ILLINOIS NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, Chicago, Illinois. These checks were for the most part each in the amount of \$500.00 and usually payable one a month. Likewise there were deposited in this account checks aggregating \$9,984.31. These checks were for various amounts and were all drawn on the FIRST NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, Bridgeport, Connecticut. There was also deposited in this account \$17,275.00 in checks from the CHASE NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, New York City. One check in the amount of \$16,000.00 was received and deposited on May 31, 1945.

Inasmuch as the bank does not make a recordak copy of items deposited in its customers' accounts, it was not possible at this time to ascertain

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the drawer of these checks deposited in this account. Beginning in October of 1945, approximately \$4,000.00 in cash has been deposited at various times in this account, the deposits being on occasion usually \$500.00 in cash.

An examination was made of the checks drawn against this account by means of the recordak copies in the bank's possession. The checks were mostly small items except the weekly payroll check which was approximately \$400.00 weekly.

The current month of November's checks were still on hand at the bank and they were examined by the writer. Check #1124, payable to the New York Telephone Company was marked "For phone NE 9-6093". Likewise #1125, payable to the New York Telephone Company was marked "For phone MU 3-9670". The weekly payroll checks were drawn to cash and endorsed by MIRIAM MARKOWITZ. There was also a check drawn to EDWARD QUILL, which was marked "Rent 85-03 57th Avenue, LAB". This check was deposited by QUILL in the Fidelity National Bank, Elmhurst, Long Island.

Mr. HEADDEN further advised that ABRAHAM BROTHMAN had opened up a personal banking account at their 32nd Street Branch on August 8, 1944. This account had been made over into a joint account on July 16, 1945 and the account was now carried in the name of A. and NAOMI BROTHMAN. The opening deposit consisted of \$653.85 of various small checks. During the period in January 31, 1945 to September 21, 1945, MIRIAM MARKOWITZ had a power of attorney to sign checks on this account of A. and NAOMI BROTHMAN. The deposit tickets covering the various deposits made in this account from its inception through November 16, 1945 were examined. These deposits consisted almost entirely of checks drawn apparently on the firm account of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES. The withdrawals made from this account were all very small in nature. The current month's checks were still on hand and were examined. It was noted therein that check #324, payable to the New York Telephone Company was for phone number Peekskill 3558R. Likewise a check was drawn for the New York Telephone Company for phone number Ironsides 67769. There was also a check drawn to a CECILE HELLMAN for \$333.98. The explanation of this check was "payment on the house, Furnace - Dock Road". This check was endorsed CECILE HELLMAN, IR. S. HELLMAN, NATIONAL CITY BANK, Bronx Branch.

There was also an account carried at the 32nd Street Branch of the NATIONAL CITY BANK in the name of A. BROTHMAN and IRVING BENNETT. This account was opened on May 3, 1945 with a deposit of \$1,000.00, being a check drawn on the account of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES. The account was inactive and was closed out on June 8, 1945, when the \$1,000.00 was withdrawn. This joint account with BENNETT was given the address of in care of the SYNTOMATIC CORPORATION, 114 East 32nd Street, New York City. This firm was indicated to

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manufacture aromatic chemicals. It was noted also in the file that this firm possibly had an account at the MANUFACTURERS TRUST COMPANY, 350 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Mr. HEADLEN further advised that there was an account at the 32nd Street Branch of the NATIONAL CITY BANK in the name of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES and/or Colonel LYNN CHU or Mr. C. S. WAN. This account was opened on June 4, 1945 with a deposit of \$16,000.00, consisting of a check drawn on the BANK OF CHINA, New York Agency, 40 Wall Street, New York City. Further examination of this account disclosed a deposit made on July 18, 1945 of a single check in the amount of \$7,000.00. There was nothing on the deposit ticket to indicate the sources of this check. On August 3rd another deposit of \$7,000.00 was made in this account and on the deposit ticket there was a notation "FED". There have been no withdrawals made from this account and the balance as of November 24, 1945 was \$30,000.00. There was nothing in the bank's records which would disclose the identity and present whereabouts of Colonel LYNN CHU or Mr. C. S. WAN, other than the address of A. BROTHMAN, at 114 East 32nd Street, New York City.

A search of the indices of the New York Field Division disclosed that a LYNN CHU had been the recipient of a \$10,000.00 check on May 13, 1941. This check had been drawn by the SHANGHAI COMMERCIAL AND SAVINGS BANK LIMITED of Chungking. This item had cleared apparently through the CHEMICAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY of New York City.

The accountant's work papers in this examination of bank accounts are being retained as an exhibit in this file.

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RE: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph Wohl on December 6th through December 11th, 1945:

The toll listings for IRonsides 6-7769, which telephone is the home phone of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN at 41-08 42nd Street, Sunnyside, Queens, were obtained and are as follows:

6/9/45 BROTHMAN at Croton 960, New York, collect
 6/11/45 to Tuckahoe 3034, New York
 6/17/45 from Mrs. DOWTHAN at Peekskill 3545J2
 6/18/45 from BROTHMAN at Clifford 2814, Detroit
 6/19/45 from BROTHMAN at Madison 9500, Room 614, Detroit
 9/20/45 BROTHMAN at Wabash 7450, Room 2318A, Chicago
 9/27/45 from BROTHMAN at Executive 9546, Washington, D. C.
 10/16/45 to SIMAS at Peekskill 1609W
 11/6/45 from BROTHMAN at RIT 9805, Philadelphia
 11/10/45 from BROTHMAN at MIN 8864, Philadelphia
 11/10/45 from BROTHMAN at Baring 9714, Philadelphia

Teletypes have been sent to the Detroit, Chicago, Washington, and Philadelphia Field Divisions to ascertain the identity of the subscribers to these phones located in their respective field divisions, and also to secure the background and activities of these individuals.

The toll listings for the New York Area were determined to be as follows:

Croton 982 New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, Harmon Station
 Croton 960 Chimney Corner Cabin Restaurant, Albany Post Road, Croton
 Peekskill 3545J2 ~~Charles D. DOWTHAN~~, Inwood Lane, Peekskill

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Peekskill 1609W

~~SILAS INMAN~~, 1401 Lincoln Terrace, Peekskill

Tuckahoe 0304

No listing could be secured as this number is incomplete.

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked as to SILAS INMAN and CHARLES GOLDFARB with negative results.

In an attempt to ascertain the specific type of work subject ABRAHAM BROTHMAN handled while in the employ of the HENDRICK MANUFACTURING COMPANY during the period he was furnishing blueprints to ABE GOLOS and Confidential Informant GREGORY, Confidential Informant NYC 77 furnished information that this corporation was chartered in Pennsylvania in 1901 and was engaged solely in war work manufacturing perforated metals, screens, manganese bronze screens, tanks, stacks, chutes, testing screens, and cones. It was further ascertained that B. G. CANN was Sales Manager of the New York Office and Director of this corporation. The New York indices were checked with negative results as to B. G. CANN and contact with any person at the HENDRICK MANUFACTURING COMPANY was deemed inadvisable at the present time in view of the fact that on December 5th, 1945, Confidential Informant NYC 343 advised that subject, ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, is on excellent terms with the HENDRICK MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

With respect to the 2 motor vehicles bearing license numbers New York, 1945, 7G7214, and 7G7215, which registrations are to the ELLIOT MOTOR CAR CORPORATION, 136 Merrick Road, Amityville, Long Island, Confidential Informant NYC 77 advised that this corporation is owned and operated by CLARENCE L. ELLIOT and is a Hudson agency and service station located at the above address. ELLIOT is native born, 43 years of age, and married. A check of the indices of the New York Field Division was made with negative results.

With respect to the 1942 Buick bearing New York license number K411, and issued to the NELOC CORPORATION of 170 Broadway, which car was seen at the A.B.A. LABORATORIES, Confidential Informant NYC 77 advised that this corporation is in the business of manufacturing screw machine parts, and is a New Jersey corporation chartered on July 21st, 1943. This corporation manufactures ordnance parts on which machine work is done on subcontract basis for prime contracts on government work, and has a plant located at 21-02 44th Road, Long Island City. ABRAHAM ALPERT is President and Treasurer, and HAROLD K. BACON is Vice President and Secretary. ALPERT is described as native born, past middle age, and married. BACON is described as middle aged, married, native born, and a practicing attorney with offices at 170 Broadway, which offices are likewise occupied by the NELOC CORPORATION. NYC 77 also advised that this corporation completed \$200,000 in orders for the United States Government manufacturing 30 caliber shell cores.

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Confidential Informant NYC 77 advised with regard to A. BROTHMAN & ASSOCIATES of 114 East 32nd Street, New York City, that this was a partnership with the following individuals listed as the active partners:

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
41-08 42 Street
Sunnyside, Long Island

JULES KORCHIEN
46 Washington Square South
New York, New York

GERHART WOLLAN
28 Reeve Place
Brooklyn, New York

OSCAR J. VAGO
66-07 99 Street
Forest Hills, Long Island

WOLLAN is native born and a graduate of Luther College and the University of Iowa in 1930 with a Master's Degree in Physics. He is 34 years old, having a 2B classification with his Selective Service Board.

VAGO is a naturalized Hungarian, 47 years of age, and a graduate of the University of Budapest, Hungary, in 1919 with a Civil Engineer's Degree.

JULES KORCHIEN is native born, a Cornell graduate in the class of 1924, and an architect by profession, and is 40 years of age.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John B. Nolan in an attempt to ascertain the identity of the individual who was taken to 1130 or 1138 Sterling Street, Brooklyn:

A check of the 2 doors through which this unidentified individual entered reflected that these addresses should be 1136 or 1138 Sterling Place, and a discreet check of 1138 Sterling Place showed 2 families by the name of RAPPAPORT and MUNROE residing there. At 1138A Sterling Place, 3 families named WEISMAN, SCHWARTZ, and LEBOWITZ resided.

At 1136 Sterling Place Mr. and Mrs. M. PEHR resided, and 2 families named LIBMAN and SPEAR resided at 1136A Sterling Place. A further check of surrounding apartments reflected that the immediate neighborhood surrounding the above addresses is approximately 50% colored. A discreet check in the neighborhood to ascertain whether or not any of these individuals could be identical with those persons known to be employed at the A.B.A. LABORATORIES was made with negative results.

At the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, a search was conducted to ascertain whether any records existed for those individuals previously reported as the registered owners of the motor vehicles seen at the A.B.A. LABORATORIES.

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PERCY SCHUBERT to whom car bearing license number 1G3085 is registered was determined to be in business under the name of PERCY SCHUBERT at 85-03 57th Avenue, Elmhurst, Long Island. It is to be noted that this address is likewise the address of the A.B.A. LABORATORIES.

With regard to RALPH MARBLE who is listed as the registered owner of car bearing license number T3269, the records indicated that a Miss ANN MARBLE resides at 33-07 37th Avenue, Astoria, Long Island, which is the address listed on the motor vehicle registration for RALPH MARBLE. Nothing further is reported on this individual.

With regard to GEORGE BRACKSON and HAT CARBON, registered owners of 2 of the other motor vehicles which were at the A.B.A. LABORATORIES at various times, no record was found at the Credit Bureau of Greater New York.

PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE

12/4/45 Subject BROTHMAN left his home at 11:15 a.m. and drove to the A.B.A. LABORATORIES at 85-03 57th Avenue, Elmhurst, Long Island. The subject had lunch with one of the employees at the A.B.A. LABORATORY during which time no contacts were observed, and at 5:50 p.m., the subject left the Laboratory and drove to the HIRSH BARBER SHOP, 87-17 55th Avenue, where he got a haircut, after which he returned to the Laboratory. At 6:53 p.m. subject accompanied by a man wearing glasses drove to 114 East 32nd Street, and entered the building at 7:05 p.m. (A. BROTHMAN & ASSOCIATES maintain offices at 114 East 32nd Street.) A short time later, the subject and the man just described returned to the car with a woman, apparently subject's secretary, MIRIAM BROTHMAN, and they all drove to the corner of West 49th Street and 9th Avenue, New York City, where the car was parked. Subject's secretary left the car going in the direction of the ticket office at Madison Square Garden. She returned shortly and subject drove west on 49th Street and North on 9th Avenue, apparently seeking a place to park. The car was lost in traffic in the vicinity of Madison Square Garden, and the entrance to Madison Square Garden was covered as well as the A.B.A. LABORATORY, the TERRACE GARAGE, subject's residence, and 114 East 32nd Street, with negative results. It is to be noted that a large meeting was held at Madison Square Garden, which meeting was billed "Crisis Meeting, 100, Arts and Science".

12/5/45 Subject was observed at a diner on the Southwest corner of Queens Boulevard and Woodlawn Avenue with a girl believed to be his secretary. At 8:10 p.m. subject and his secretary left the diner and walked to the Laboratory. The surveillance was discontinued at 12:50 a.m. on December 6th, 1945, inasmuch as neither the subject nor his secretary emerged from the Laboratory, and no activity was observed therein.

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12/6/45 No activity of consequence was noted on this date, except that it was observed that subject and his secretary left the A.B.N. LABORATORY in subject's car driving via the Queens Midtown Tunnel to the vicinity of 32nd Street and Lexington Avenue, Manhattan, where the surveillance was discontinued because of lack of other traffic and impossibility to continue in a discreet manner.

12/7/45 Subject left his residence at 11:20 a.m. on this date and drove in his car to the A.B.N. LABORATORIES. At the time subject parked his car in front of the Laboratory, 4 cars previously observed were noted to be present. They were New York 7G7214, New York 49092, and New York 7G7215. Also noted was car bearing New York license 5G7631. At 11:45 a.m. a man arrived at the Laboratory in a black coupe bearing Minnesota license 513387. At 12:25 p.m. subject and 2 other men departed from the Laboratory in this Minnesota car and drove to the ELX DINER. The individual with the subject and the driver who has been seen frequently at the Laboratory is described as 6 feet tall, 175 to 180 pounds, blonde hair, light complexion, 35 to 40 years of age, wears work clothes, and glasses with white gold rims. The driver of the Minnesota car was approximately 5 feet ten to eleven inches tall, 160 pounds, light complexion, light brown hair, sparse, 30 to 35 years of age, small moustache, dark trousers and cloth jacket, glasses, no hat. Subject and these 2 individuals returned to the Laboratory at 12:50 p.m., and at 1:02 p.m. the individual who drove the Minnesota car departed from the Laboratory alone in that car. At 8:15 p.m. the subject and his secretary arrived at the MCMAHAY & MCGHEEN BAR & GRILL, 11 West 32nd Street, where they remained for an hour and a quarter. They then left the bar and grill and proceeded to 114 East 32nd Street, where they remained until 1:45 a.m. (114 East 32nd Street is the address of A. BRADMAN & ASSOCIATES.) At 1:45 a.m. subject drove his secretary, MIRIAM HANCOCK to 154 8th Avenue, New York City, and she entered that address at 2 a.m. The subject left and drove to his home at this time.

12/8/45 Subject left his residence at 12:05 p.m. and drove to his office building at 114 East 32nd Street, New York City, in his car bearing license 5N8976 where subject entered the building. At 1:10 p.m. subject accompanied by MIRIAM HANCOCK, his secretary, and JULIUS KOTHEIMER, his partner, went to the Hotel Vanderbilt Crypt at 33rd Street and Park Avenue for lunch. At 2:20 p.m. subject and his secretary returned to the office of JULIUS KOTHEIMER and walked west on 33rd Street. At 4:45 p.m. subject left his office alone on East 32nd Street in his car and made a left turn into Lexington Avenue where he was lost in heavy traffic. At 9 p.m. subject was located in front of his office on East 32nd Street, and at 10:20 p.m. he left his office with his secretary and drove to Schrafft's Restaurant on 13th Street and 5th Avenue. They remained there until

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11:10 p.m. at which time they entered subject's car and drove in a circuitous manner slowly toward Greenwich Village Area. The surveillance was dropped at this point because of subject's slow manner of driving and insufficient traffic cover. It was observed by surveilling agents that the subject and his secretary were acting in an affectionate manner and were apparently out on a date.

12/9/45 Subject left his house at 11:50 a.m. and drove to the A.B.A. LABORATORIES where he remained until 1:05 p.m., at which time he emerged in company of 2 other men who have had lunch with subject on previous occasions, and entered the Minnesota car bearing license 513387 and drove to a diner. They remained there for 45 minutes and returned to the A.B.A. LABORATORIES. Subject left the Laboratory at 7:55 p.m. and returned home. At 9 p.m. subject left his home with his wife and drove to the vicinity of 53-55 West 47th Street where the car was parked. Subject and his wife left the car and were lost in pedestrian traffic. At 12:45 a.m. on December 10th, 1945, subject and his wife returned to the car from the direction of 6th Avenue, entered the car and drove home.

12/10/45 Subject left his residence at 10:20 a.m. and drove in his car to the front of the Madison Square Hotel located at 37 Madison Avenue, New York City, where he parked his car and entered the hotel. In 10 minutes the subject emerged from the Laboratory in the company of one, Mr. MICHAEL who described as approximately 35 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, 150 pounds, small moustache, wearing gray felt hat and tan topcoat. Subject and Mr. MICHAEL drove to the A.B.A. LABORATORIES arriving there at 11:05 a.m. At 2 p.m. subject and Mr. MICHAEL left the Laboratory and drove in subject's car to the HOWARD JOHNSON on 95th Street and Queens Boulevard in Queens, where they remained for a period of 2 hours, then returning to the A.B.A. LABORATORIES at 4:05 p.m. At 5:30 p.m. subject and Mr. MICHAEL left in subject's car arriving at the Madison Square Hotel at 6 p.m. where subject dropped Mr. MICHAEL. Subject then went to his office at 114 East 32nd Street where he remained until 7:55 p.m. and emerged with his secretary, MIRIAM LEFKOWITZ, after which they drove to the DOOLBY & McGRAW BAR & GRILL at 11 West 32nd Street. They remained in a booth in this bar and grill until 9:30 p.m. at which time subject drove his secretary to 154 8th Avenue, New York City, where she entered. Subject then drove by a circuitous route to his home in Sunnyside and entered his apartment at 10:05 p.m. remaining there for 5 minutes and then emerging with his wife with whom he drove to the A.B.A. LABORATORIES. Subject and his wife left the Laboratory at 12:55 a.m. on December 11th, 1945, and then drove home.

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On December 8th, 1945, [Confidential Informant NY 343 advised that the following conversation took place between Subject J. VAGO a partner of subject ~~BRADSHAW~~'s, and one ROY-JOHNSON. (u)

JOHNSON told VAGO that he had been busy in camp (apparently an Army camp) learning riot control and how to break strikes. VAGO stated that that was very interesting and JOHNSON told VAGO that he, JOHNSON sent this information to the right people after which VAGO remarked that JOHNSON was right that the boys were learning riot control in camps. (u)

A check of the indices of the New York Field Division as to ROY JOHNSON reflects that a ROY JOHNSON had signed the 1942 Communist Party Nominating Petition in the State of New York, and the address furnished at that time was 1522 Pacific Street, Brooklyn.

RICHARD HENRIK KLEIN, Manager of the Madison Square Hotel located at 37 Madison Avenue, New York City, advised that Mr. R. MICHEL had registered at that hotel on October 15th, 1945 with ~~PERL~~, G. J. GULLIBSEN, K. H. ~~PERL~~, Mr. ~~PERL~~, and Mr. ~~PERL~~, at which time these 6 individuals were furnished with rooms 348 and 350, and all gave their address as in care of the Belgian Embassy, 630 Rockefeller Center, New York City. They left the hotel on October 25th, 1945, and on November 20th, 1945 MICHEL, ~~PERL~~, and GULLIBSEN reregistered and are presently occupying room 351. The registration card merely states "Belgian Commission". It was also noted that ~~PERL~~, KLEIN, and MICHEL are also registered at the hotel occupying 2 other rooms. The account of all these individuals reflects numerous telephone calls, largely local. Mr. KLEIN advised that all the bills were paid by Traveler's checks by these men and they usually had a supply of money on hand.

A check of the indices of the New York Field Division was negative with respect to these individuals, and request was made through Special Employee Investigator Wade Fuller to locate any information available at Immigration and Naturalization Service on R. MICHEL. Investigation was conducted with negative results inasmuch as no record could be obtained there without the first name of the individual.

At the Motor Vehicle Bureau of New York, license number 5G7631, New York, which had been seen at the A.B.N. ~~REDACTED~~ on December 7th, 1945, was checked, and the registration was furnished to ~~REDACTED~~, Cedar Road, Westbury, Long Island, for a 1941 Hudson sedan. The indices of the New York Field Division were checked as to ~~REDACTED~~ with negative results.

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A teletype was sent to the St. Paul Field Division with request to check the registration of Minnesota license number 513387, which car was seen on several occasions at the A.B.A. LABORATORIES, and contacts by the driver with ABRAHAM BROTHMAN were observed. The reply from the St. Paul Field Division indicated that this car was registered to one RALPH WOLMAN, Glenwood, Minnesota. It would appear that inasmuch as GERHART WOLMAN is a partner in A. BROTHMAN & ASSOCIATES, that this car was driven by GERHART WOLMAN or a relative of WOLMAN.

It is contemplated that a thorough investigation of MIRIAM WEINSTEIN, 154 8th Avenue, will be instituted to determine her background and activities inasmuch as it is apparent that subject, BROTHMAN, is carrying on an illicit relationship with her and most of his time is spent with her both social and business.

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RE: FERRUCCIO MARINI, with aliases:
 Frank Alpi, Fred Alpi, Mario Alpi,
 Frank Brown, Fred Brown, Max Farvo,
 Max Favla, Max Favro, E. Morini,
 F. Brown Marini, Fred Marini,
 Mario Marini, Amelio Pizzi,
 Emilio Pizzi

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey:

Confidential Informant Gregory advised that sometime in 1938 she received a letter of introduction to Mr. F. BROWN, who at that time operated on the Ninth Floor of the Communist Party Headquarters, 35 East 12th Street, New York City. He later became Editor of L'Unita del Popolo, an Italian Communist newspaper published at 13 Astor Place. Gregory indicated to BROWN that it was possible to furnish him with anti-Communist literature, available to informant at the Italian Library of Information. BROWN stated he was desirous of seeing this material and determining its contents. As the material was furnished to him he did not appear to be too interested in it unless it directly affected the American Communists.

A check of the files in the New York Office reflected in New York File 100-18129 that subject was known under many aliases, as set out above. A summary of background information is set forth hereinafter:

MARINI, an Italian alien, was born on May 22, 1894 in Visinada, Italy. He was a member of the Socialist Party in Italy prior to World War I, and after the war, until 1924, at which time he became a member of the Communist Party. He was active in Italy as a member of the Party and as a writer for radical newspapers. In 1925 he left Italy, going to Austria, where he edited a Communist newspaper, which was the official organ of the Communist Party in Italy. In 1927 he went to Russia for two years, working in a textile factory and studying in Moscow. In 1928 he was in France writing for Communist newspapers, and while there was apparently told to go to the United States. He secured a Swiss passport apparently through Communist sources, under the name of AMALIO PIZZI, by which he entered Canada, and then the United States. He took over an Italian newspaper, "Il Lavoratori". He remained with this publication until the end of 1931. Since being in the United States he has been exceedingly active in the foreign language field of the Communist Party

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and has always written for the Italian Communist newspapers. He has also had a number of articles published in "The Communist", and other Party-controlled magazines and newspapers.

All of the above information was testified to by MARINI at a hearing before Immigration authorities on October 1, 1942, at which time he was arrested for his failure to register as an alien in 1940. He was sentenced to six months in the Federal House of Detention on June 18, 1943, and paroled on November 20, 1943. A deportation proceeding is still pending before the Immigration authorities.

In addition to the above-mentioned information, MARINI was a member of the Communist Party in the United States from the time of his arrival in this country until, as he claims, 1939. During that period of time he attended all of the major conventions and plenums of the Party and was a member of its Central Committee. MARINI claims to have dropped out of the Party in 1939, but there is every indication that he is still a member and at the present time head of all Italian activity within the Party. This position he obtained after a long drawn out struggle between GIUSEPPE BERTI and AMEROGIO DONINI, who were sent by the Comintern to the United States after the outbreak of the war, to assist in the setting up of a section of the Italian Communist Party and to help in Italian-American Communist activities. They ran into considerable difficulty with the American Communist Party, because the Party apparently did not like to see them take complete control of Italian-American Communist activities, and the Party leaders supported MARINI in his activity against these Italians. MARINI finally took over as the head of L'Unita del Popolo, and BERTI and DONINI have returned to Italy, where they now hold high positions with the present Italian Government. MARINI presently lives at 328 West 37th Street, New York City, and his business address is that of L'Unita del Popolo, 13 Astor Place, New York City.

It is to be noted that MARINI was mentioned by several witnesses in hearings before the Dies Committee on un-American propaganda activities in 1939.

JOHN P. FREY, President of the Metal Trades Department of the AF of L, testified that F. BROWN, with alias ALPI, was a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, present at an important meeting called by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER in May, 1937, to receive a report of BROWDER, who attended an international conference at Paris, France.

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WALTER S. STEELE of the National Republic, testified in part that F. BROWN, with alias, ALPI, was a member of the Central Committee, whom he claimed were the absolute rulers of the Communist Party in the United States.

JOSEPH ZACK, former Central Committee member, testified to the effect that the Comintern controlled the Communist Party in the United States and that ALPI was a Comintern representative in the United States, and that this was known to both EARL BROWDER and WILLIAM Z. FOSTER.

MAURICE L. MARINI, former Communist Party member, testified that FRED BROWN, with aliases, ALPI and MARINI, was an OGFU agent in the United States and had been sent by ERCOLI, who was head of the Comintern International of Moscow on Italian matters.

It is to be noted that ERCOLI or PALMERO TAGLIATTI, as he is now known, is an important member of the present Italian Government.

According to other information, MARINI was originally sent to the United States to act as a radical propagandist and to direct certain Communist activities, apparently in the foreign language field. He has been named by a number of informants as both a Comintern representative and an NYVD agent. It is noted that on February 7, 1945 JOSEPH FISCHER, President of the CPA in Hudson County, New Jersey, said he was going to see MARINI, who was on the underground Central Committee.

A physical surveillance was instituted on November 29, 1945. The surveillance reflected that MARINI occupied himself principally at the offices of L'Unita del Popolo, 13 Astor Place and he visited Communist Party Headquarters rather frequently. He is presently involved in deportation proceedings by the Immigration and Naturalization Service and as a result, frequently visits and confers with his attorneys, Englander and Englander, 205 East 42nd Street.

On December 5, 1945 a request was made to discontinue the surveillance on MARINI as the surveillance failed to reflect any positive information relative to the instant case. In addition, conditions in the vicinity of the subject's home and place of business were such that it was with some difficulty that a discreet surveillance could be continued. A mail cover has been authorized and the results of the same will be used to determine the necessity of a future physical surveillance. *RW*

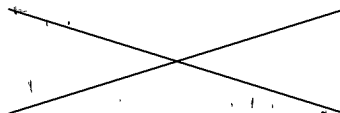
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The following is a description of FERRUCCIO MARINI, with aliases:

Name	FERRUCCIO MARINI
Date of Birth	May 22, 1894
Place of Birth	Visinada, Italy
Age	51
Height	5' 11"
Weight	200
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Dark brown--shaggy
Complexion	Dark
Peculiarities	Thick lips; double chin; large low set ears
Marital Status	Married
Citizenship	Italian alien
FBI No.	3522009
Occupation	Newspaper editor

A photograph of the subject is available in the files of the New York Office.



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A review of the file in the case entitled "WHITTAKER CHAMBERS; Internal Security - R", by Special Agent PAUL V. HAGAN, disclosed the following information pertaining to some of the persons mentioned by the informant in this case.

JULIET STUART POYNTZ GLASER

Information in the above file regarding this individual is to the effect that she was "liquidated" by OGPU agents, but the place and identity of the assassins was not disclosed.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM HINCKLEY

There was information contained in the above file indicating that the Washington Field office had a file on "WILLIAM W. HINCKLEY; Internal Security - C". A Mr. WILL ALLEN, reporter for the Washington, D. C. "Daily News", said he had been informed that WILLIAM HINCKLEY, 5000 Moreland Lane, Bethesda, Maryland, was an Administrative Assistant in the OFFICE OF EDUCATION, and that he was reported to be a member of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action, the AMERICAN YOUTH CONGRESS, and that he had been Chairman of that organization; further that he had signed an open letter of the AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND DEMOCRACY, and was a signer of a letter from the "New Masses" to the President; and that he had been on a committee for concerted peace efforts and was a contributor to "Champion", COMMUNIST PARTY magazine. This information was contained in a letter from the Washington Field Office to the Bureau, dated December 20, 1941.

LEM HARRIS

A photograph of LEM HARRIS was exhibited to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in June of 1945, but CHAMBERS was unable to identify the photograph. However, CHAMBERS did recall the name LEM HARRIS as having been mentioned by HAROLD WARE, and WARE told CHAMBERS that HARRIS was a close friend of his. He was unable to recall any further details. CHAMBERS informed that WARE was

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the leader of a group of men composed of Government employees in high-salaried positions who were COMMUNIST PARTY members, but whose activities with the Party as such had ceased when they were transferred to the underground of the COMMUNIST PARTY.

~~NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER~~
and
~~HELEN WITTE SILVERMASTER~~

In a memorandum from Assistant Director LOUIS B. NICHOLS to the Director, dated October 22, 1941, reflecting the results of an interview had by Mr. NICHOLS with Mr. WILL ALLEN, previously mentioned, there was information to the effect that ALLEN told Mr. NICHOLS that at the time one LIERSON was appointed as a member of the LABOR RELATIONS BOARD, there was an exodus of individuals from that organization. They went primarily to the SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD, RAILROAD RETIREMENT, FARM SECURITY, and the DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. Those going to the FARM SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, ALLEN suspected, secured their jobs through NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, head of labor relations of the Farm Security.

According to ALLEN, SILVERMASTER is from San Francisco, and it seems to be pretty well agreed that he is a member of the COMMUNIST PARTY. As to whether he is a member of the OGPU, ALLEN indicated he did not know. ALLEN further stated that he had been advised that SILVERMASTER had been arrested in Seattle as a COMMUNIST demonstrator, and that his wife was quite active in Party affairs. Her maiden name was WITTE, and at one time she was supposed to have been the common-law wife of one WOLKOFF, who was an OGPU agent. Both SILVERMASTER and his wife are well known to Professor CHARLES MALAMOUTH of the University of California. WOLKOFF, the alleged OGPU agent, was stricken with tuberculosis, and asked SILVERMASTER to look after his wife, which he did by subsequently marrying her. She is a member of various front organizations and is quite active in the COMMUNIST branch of the China Aid Relief Organization.

SILVERMASTER was born in Odessa, Russia; educated in Shanghai; speaks Chinese and Russian fluently; and, according to Professor MALAMOUTH, was active with EARL BROWDER when he was assigned as an OGPU agent in China.

In a letter from the Washington Field Office to the Director, dated December 20, 1941, there was information contained to the effect

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that the Washington office had a file on SILVERMASTER bearing the character Internal Security; Hatch Act. Again there was information which had been supplied the Washington Field Division by WILL ALLEN, the reporter. It related that SILVERMASTER had been in Washington since 1936; that he attended college at the UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON and was active in the campus "Red" movement, being arrested in Seattle in a radical demonstration around 1918 or 1921; and that SILVERMASTER had a Ph. D. from the UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, where his thesis was entitled "Lenin's Economic Thought Prior to the October Revolution". Parts I and II of this thesis were completed in December of 1932. ALLEN said, "The name of the person most frequently consulted by SILVERMASTER in the preparation of this thesis was Dr. ROBERT BRADY, who is now head consultant of the OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION".

In 1937 the "Left Book Club" of England published a book by ROBERT BRADY entitled "The Spirit and Structure of German Fascism", which is reputed to follow the COMMUNIST PARTY line toward Fascism as of that date.

ALLEN also stated that SILVERMASTER had a job in the CALIFORNIA RELIEF ADMINISTRATION under Dr. LOUIS BLOCH in 1933 and 1934, at which time he was Acting Chief Statistician. He came to Washington in August, 1935, to work in the RESETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION, and later was with the WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION about one and one-half months, when he went back to the FARM SECURITY ADMINISTRATION as head of the Labor Relations Board. It was reported that LOUIS BLOCH helped him get this job.

BLOCH at that time was Chief Statistician of the SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD and is now on the MARITIME COMMISSION. According to ALLEN, BLOCH is by reputation a COMMUNIST. In his application for his present position, (apparently with the FARM SECURITY ADMINISTRATION) SILVERMASTER gave both BRADY and BLOCH as references. ALLEN intimated that he had a woman informant who knew that SILVERMASTER was regarded as a high authority of the COMMUNIST PARTY in San Francisco. His division was reportedly "loaded" with COMMUNISTS, such as ISADORE SALKIND and JACK KAUFMAN. The SALKIND family is composed of three brothers - ISADORE, MICHAEL and MILTON, all COMMUNISTS. MILTON works in the War Department.

ALLEN continued by stating that SILVERMASTER was a naturalized citizen of this country, but he did not know when or where such naturalization took place.

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LAUCHLIN CURRIE

There was contained in the previously mentioned file a copy of original notes made by Assistant Secretary of State ADOLPH BERLE at the time WHITTAKER CHAMBERS secured an interview with him and informed him of his knowledge of certain COMMUNIST elements. Mr. BERLE's notes regarding LAUCHLIN CURRIE state: "Was a fellow traveler - helped various Communists - never went the whole way".

SOL ADLER

Regarding this individual there was information contained in the previously mentioned file which was also part of the original notes made by Assistant Secretary of State ADOLPH BERLE at the time of the WHITTAKER CHAMBERS' interview. These notes were quoted as follows, verbatim: "Schlomer Adler (Sol Adler ?), Counsel's Office, sends weekly reports to G.P. (General Counsel's Office), Frank Coe - now teacher at McGill". From a review of the copy of the original notes of Mr. BERLE it appears that ADLER is or was employed in the United States Treasury Department.

In a letter from the New York Office to the Bureau dated June 26, 1945, are reflected the results of an interview had by this office with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. The latter explained that ADLER was definitely a COMMUNIST and was employed in 1939 in the Treasury Department. CHAMBERS stated he knew ADLER was in close contact with one PETER and made reports of a financial nature to PETER. CHAMBERS suspected the COMMUNIST PARTY was playing the stock market and they utilized ADLER's financial information in this matter. The identity of the individual known as PETER in this communication was not disclosed, although according to CHAMBERS, PETER was very well acquainted with Party activities, and was closely connected with members of the underground and OGPU.

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